



Feastival preparations

Page 2

Making your house a home

Pages 19, 21, 22 & 24

Artist is using beach canvas

Page 3

Nathan's golf scholarship

Page 6

Man escapes jail after £7k theft from a local company

THE branch manager of a Bridgend-based company, who took part in offences of theft and fraud, has been given a suspended sentence at Cardiff Crown Court, writes AJ SICLUNA.

The total loss to the employer, Ammeraal Beltech Ltd was £7,160, said prosecutor Meiron Davies and the timescale

was five and a half years. Keith Williams (45), a man with no previous convictions, who now lives in Ammanford, admitted 11 charges of theft and one of fraud.

He was jailed for 12 months, the sentence suspended for a year, made subject to 12 months supervision, and ordered to carry out 200 hours unpaid work.

Said Judge Eleri Rees: "Undoubtedly, the loss of your good name and rep-

utation is in itself a significant punishment."

She said that had he not pleaded guilty, he would have gone to prison immediately.

Mr Davies said that over the five and a half year period, Williams sold stock belonging to his company and kept the proceeds.

Sometimes, said Mr Davies, he used the name of another person to cover his tracks. He said he had started with the company as a fitter, and was eventually promoted to branch manager.

Suspicions were aroused when documents were found in his desk and handed to the management.

Told of the allegations, he said he had been declared bankrupt and immediately resigned.

When interviewed by the police, he falsely claimed he was not the only one involved and was the "fall guy".

He said: "I have a conscience, I am not a dishonest person."

He later admitted taking part in "a form of theft".

It was, said Mr Davies, a serious breach of trust. His counsel, Andrew Greenwood, said that when he lost his employment, there were disciplinary proceedings.

The case had taken three years to come to court, he said, and Williams always intended pleading guilty.

At the time, he continued, he had substantial financial problems.

"He fell into debt and some of the money covered his living expenses."

His current indebtedness, he added, was in excess of £100,000.



THE winners of a competition, organised by the Pyle and Porthcawl Photographic Society, were recently invited to Porthcawl Town Council to receive their prizes from the Mayor, Coun Mike Clarke (left). See the full story on page 3.

TRUST OFFERS NEW DAWN TO YOUNG PEOPLE RECOVERING FROM CANCER

Bridgend's Alicia joins Dame Ellen's inspirational trip

A young woman from Bridgend has taken part in an inspirational sailing trip - with the Ellen MacArthur Cancer Trust.

Alicia Parsons (21) joined 19 other young people, aged between 18 and 24 years old, who are in recovery from cancer.

She joined the crew of one of five yachts sailing around the Solent last week in a four-day adventure.

Alicia, who finished intensive treatment a year ago for Invasive Pituitary Prolactinoma, was joined by three other young people on board their boat, *New Dawn*.

Alicia said: "This week has been great

fun, the weather has been perfect and everyone has been so friendly."

"Everyone here is so easy to get on with and they are all so understanding. The trip has really boosted my confidence and has taught me I can do this - and I am just grateful I have been given the chance to do it."

"You have to come and do it yourself to find out - it is a once in a lifetime opportunity!"

Sailing on board 42ft to 48 ft cruising yachts, the trips provide a chance for young people to test themselves in a safe and supportive environment.

They are encouraged to work as a team and be involved in everything, from helming the boat, to cooking.

Leaving their south



ABOVE: Bridgend's Alicia Parsons sailing off the south coast of England.

coast HQ in East Cowes Marina on the Isle of Wight, the young people navigated the yachts through the waters of the Solent, visiting various stopovers including Yarmouth and Newtown.

After a whirlwind speedboat ride around

her admiration for the novice sailors.

"These young people are truly amazing. They face experiences that no child should ever have to go through, and yet they do it with the biggest smile on their faces. They are truly inspiring."

Launched in 2003, the aim of the Ellen MacArthur Cancer Trust is to give young people in recovery from cancer the chance to rebuild their confidence through sailing.

The trust is now celebrating its 10-year anniversary.

To become a Friend of the Trust, and help to provide support and encouragement for young people in recovery from cancer, visit <http://www.ellen-macarthurcancertrust.org>.

Dame Ellen spoke of

**Autumn
Wedding
Fayres 2013**



**THIS SUNDAY
22nd September 2013
at the
Bryn Meadows
Hotel & Spa
Maesycwmmwr, Caerphilly**



**NEXT SUNDAY
29th September 2013
at the
New House
Country Hotel
Cardiff**



**SUNDAY
20th October 2013
at the
The Bear Hotel
Cowbridge**

First 100 Brides receive FREE
Welcome Bag from Debenhams
Each Show 11am to 4pm
FREE ADMISSION

For details visit our website:
www.eternitywithlove.co.uk

YOUR CHANCE TO SHARE COMMUNITY NEWS

Aberkenfig tour

THIS Saturday (September 21) from 12 noon-4pm, the public will be able to study the architecture of St John's church in Aberkenfig, and can inspect the registers for weddings and funerals, which will be on display.

A member of the church will be available to give advice and issue guide books. Refreshments will be available at a small charge.

St Tyfodwg's, Glynogwr

CHURCH member Mr Clive Davies recently took a party of church members around the interesting historical sites of Blackmill.

Although the weather was overcast, it

remained fine and Clive gave a talk at each of the places visited.

These included the Old Flour Mill, now a private house, which still has the original grinding mill stones visible; cottages at Dolau Ifan Ddu; site of the Mission Hall, now a row of modern houses; and the Old School, now a community centre, where Clive explained the significance of the coat of arms above the door.

The pillars of the railway viaduct of the old Cardiff and Ogmore Railway were viewed and the site of the old railway station and tunnel studied from the grounds of Clive's home at Factory House. Also visited was the war memorial and the site of Potters Field, believed to have been

an ancient burial ground for strangers, and so named after the Biblical reference to the place purchased with the 30 pieces of silver Judas returned after betraying Jesus.

Annual concert

AS mentioned last week, Ogmore Valley male voice choir is holding its annual concert on Saturday, September 21, at 7pm in Canolfan Bethlehem Centre, Commercial Street, Ogmore Vale, which has full disabled access.

Money raised will be donated to the local charity the Pulmonary Hypertension Association.

The choir which also supports young musicians in the Bridgend area will have as one of its soloist artists Shauna Holmes.

She is studying at Bryntirion Comprehensive School and at 14 years of age is now studying for her GCSEs.

Shauna has a musical pedigree - her grandfather, Brian Powell, is a member of the choir!

Ogmore Vale primary school as an open evening for pupils in year-6 and their parents at Treorchy comprehensive school this evening (September 19) at 6pm.

Treorchy eisteddfod

THE class winners of this popular competition are appearing in a concert at Parc and Dare theatre, Treorchy on September 28, at 7pm, to determine the finalists in each event.

One of the class winners appearing will be multiple event winner Bibiana Viazani, who has been offered a place in the junior department of The

NORTH BRIDGEND NEWS

A message for all readers in the north of Bridgend who would like to have items included in the community news columns of THE GEM:

If you wish to submit reports on any social activity in this region, please contact me. I am very approachable and will endeavour to include every newsworthy subject.

Contact details: **CLIVE MITCHELL**
1 Tyn-Y-Coed Close, Sarn, Bridgend CF32 9NQ
TEL: 01656 725399
email: tynycod1@yahoo.co.uk



Royal College of Music, London - at only 11 years of age!

Once again the musical talent of Bridgend CBC is truly represented in this musical extravaganza.

Pianist Benjamin Lock, a pupil from Tondy primary school, was the winner of his class; while a young lady from Porthcawl, Helen Victoria Davies, showed her versatility by winning the secular/sacred class, and songs from Andrew Lloyd Webber shows.

There will also be three guest choirs, each singing three songs - Bridgend male choir, Bois Goutte-Hen a'r Cylch male choir and Voices of the Valley mixed voice choir.

Tondy primary school

THE school is organising a scheme, 'Meaningful Work', to develop pupils' understanding of responsibilities linked to work.

Jobs around the school are advertised and mainly involve short tasks during play-time or registration period.

These encourage the children to take care of the school and its environment. They are invited to apply for these jobs and are asked to bring a 'reference' before being inter-

viewed and appointed.

The school will also have a number of after-school clubs as listed below.

The school expects the children to commit to each activity they have enrolled in for a full term.

Pupils need to join the choir for the school year in order to learn the full repertoire.

Maesteg U3A

THE organisation has an excellent choice of speaker to start its autumn meetings in Central Church, Maesteg, on September 24 at 2pm, when Pam Robson will be sharing her story of 'William Lever and Port Sunlight'.

It looks forward to seeing all existing members and also welcomes new members.

Ladies choir

Côr Merched Cwm Llynfi (Maesteg Ladies Choir) is holding its annual concert in Maesteg town hall this Friday, September 20, under its musical director Paul Deenik-Bradley, and accompanist Laura Smith.

The compère for the evening will be Kevin Johns, and there will be a solo performance by Wyn Davies, a chorister with Only Men Aloud. The choir rehearses in Celtic RFC, Garth, on Wednesdays from 7pm-9pm, and new members are welcome.

Choir recruits

MAESTEG Children's Choir is looking to recruit new members from the Bridgend CBC area.

The choir rehearses at Plasnewydd primary

school, Castle Street, Maesteg, on Saturdays from 10am to 12noon, and will be celebrating its 28th anniversary in November.

On November 14, it will be performing at Central Church, Maesteg, to help raise funds for the charity Christian Aid.

It will have a number of well-known soloists including finalists in the Bridgend 'Young Singer of the Year' competitions Rhian Hughes and Aled Williams. The accompanist will be Sian Davies.

Tynyrheol primary

THE school has decided to provide some extra support (i.e. language or mathematics support catch up) for some pupils during lunchtime.

It will mean that they do not miss out on valuable teaching time.

Also from this term, all pupils will access 'Chicago Support groups to discuss communication skills, behaviour and other social issues. These groups will meet once a week for approximately 20 minutes.

Parents, governors and friends of the school are invited to the harvest service in the school hall on September 26, at 9.30am. The Head hopes that as many pupils as possible can bring a harvest gift (fruit, vegetables, tinned items etc.) to be distributed to the senior citizens of Llangeinor and Treotops after the service.

If anyone has the names and addresses of senior citizens living in Llangeinor, to include

in this distribution of gifts, inform the school by Monday, September 23.

Special concert

Côr Meibion Cwm Garw (Garw Valley male choir) will be performing in a special concert at Saint David's church, Pontycymer on September 27, at 7pm, to help raise money for the church restoration fund.

Tickets at £3adults/£1.50 children, can be obtained from Pontycymer post office, or church officials.

Parc Slip nature

ANYONE interested in the environment who would like to help ascertain the number of species and types of reptiles and amphibians on the nature reserve, can help the Wildlife Trust carry out a survey on Wednesday, September 25, from 10am - 12noon.

This will enable people to explore areas not normally open to the public.

Telephone 01656 724100, or e-mail r.revera@welsh-wildlife.org for details.

Preparations for the charity autumn fayre

PENCOED WI NEWS

THREE quarters of the year have gone, and we have had some excellent and diverse speakers.

Looking through our register, we have been averaging 70 per cent of members attending each meeting and our September meeting was no exception.

Sheena Crossley's talk on the Gardens of Wales was interesting and beautiful and I could not have been the only one to go home, take one look at my garden and sigh in despair.

Our summer outing was a boat ride on the River Tawe followed by lunch at the Marriott and free time.

Plans are well in hand for our charity autumn fayre on Saturday, October 19 in Pencoed Welfare Hall, from 10am to 12pm.

There will be a wide variety of tables includ-

ing my favourite, the home baking, bargains on books 25p each or 5 for £1 and much more.

This year the charity we are supporting is Blood Bikes, a very worth while cause that saves us money by helping the NHS.

They do help the Abertawe Bro Morgannwg Hospital trust which includes the Princess of Wales.

So please make a note on your calendar, fridge or any other place to remind you to pop in on Saturday, October 19; admission is free.

Our speaker on Tuesday, October 8 is Phillip Davies and his talk is entitled 'Weird Wills'.

We meet at Pencoed Welfare Hall on the second Tuesday of the month from 1.45pm to 4pm.

Visitors always welcome. For more information please ring Pat on 01656 860289.

Family connection to Cwmrhydyceirw?

I AM endeavouring to trace relations of my late mother, Mrs Susannah Humphreys (nee Williams) of the Williams family who lived at 'Gwynfa', Cwmrhydyceirw, Morriston, Swansea.

Mary Hannah Williams of Croesgoch, Pembrokehire born in 1880 and died in 1935, married a Thomas Thomas who had two

children, Elwedd (who died in 1931) and Joseph Thomas, who was either a teacher or a lecturer in the Bridgend area.

He married Dorothy and they had two sons.

If anyone can let me know of Joseph Thomas's whereabouts, I would welcome any information.

J B Humphreys, 'Castell Newydd', Heol Aman, Brynaman, Ammanford SA18 1SN. Telephone 01269 822926; or email jbhumphreys@fsmail.net.

THE STORY OF THE STATUE OF LIBERTY

THE September meeting of Sker WI was held recently at St David's Hall, Nottage.

The president, Nora Williams, welcomed members back after the summer break. The summer fayre in July was a success and was well attended.

The mystery trip included a tour of the Welsh Quilt Museum at Lampeter and some retail therapy in Carmarthen. The day finished with a meal at Blanco's in Port Talbot. A very enjoyable day was had by all.

The speaker for the evening was Polly Davies, who gave a very informative talk on the Statue of Liberty. This statue celebrated its cen-

tenary in 1886 with a very large party. It was originally made in France and took several years to complete.

It was transported in sections and erected on its present site.

Originally, the statue could be seen for miles but now the buildings nearby are much taller.

The President unveiled the statue at a ceremony in 1886 attended by thousands of people. The original torch has been replaced. Visitors can go right to the top of the statue which has been made a state monument.

The next meeting will be held on October 10, at 7pm. Anyone wishing to join us is very welcome.

ANN VIPOND

Magical Music raises £6,900 for Barnardo's

A FUNDRAISING concert hosted by Welsh tenor Wynne Evans in aid of Barnardo's Cymru at The Grand Pavilion in Porthcawl has raised nearly £7,000.

The event was the brainchild of local musician David Hughes who conducted the concert and commented: "We're delighted to be able to fundraise for such a rewarding charity. This

the fourth year we have staged this event and the second time Wynne has joined us and are very pleased to be able to support Barnardo's as a children's charity.

"A venture such as this relies completely on the generosity of the people taking part and we are hugely grateful to all the musicians (some of whom travelled considerable distances to be there) for their enthusiasm and hard work."

Feastival in best possible taste!



Craig Wilkinson from Zia Nina Trattoria, one of the local businesses that is supporting this year's Bridgend Feastival.

ORGANISED by Bridgend County Borough Council, Bridgend Feastival (September 27-28), celebrates food and drink in a fun way, and local traders are cooking up some tasty treats and offers especially for the weekend.

There will be around 60 stallholders in total. Coun Phil White, BCBC's cabinet member for communities, said:

"The Bridgend Feastival promises to be a dream event for foodies and it is great to see so many local businesses and organisations showing their support by getting involved and coming up with so many innovative ideas to mark Feastival

weekend. Attracting more visitors into our town centres is one of the council's priorities, and Bridgend town centre will be an extremely vibrant place to be during Feastival."

The Bridgend Feastival is also renowned for its quirky food art displays, with previous creations including a giant cauliflower, leaning towers of pizza, and an orange-utanto made out of orange peel.

This year's feature display is being kept firmly under wraps for now, but promises to raise a smile!

The Feastival takes place on September 27-28 between 10am and 5pm.

HIGH TIDE TIMES (UNTIL SEPTEMBER 26)

The high tides listed in this week's GEM are those in Porthcawl. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tide times will vary. For instance, in Barry, the high point will be 20 - 25 minutes later.

DATE	Time	Ht		Time	Ht
		AM	M	PM	M
19 Thur	06.54	10.0		19.14	10.4
20 Fri	07.35	10.2		19.56	10.4
21 Sat	08.14	10.3		20.36	10.3
22 Sun	08.53	9.9		21.11	9.9
23 Mon	09.26	9.7		21.47	9.7
24 Tues	10.01	9.4		22.19	9.1
25 Wed	10.34	8.8		22.57	8.5
26 Thur	11.11	8.3		23.37	7.8

While THE GEM makes every effort to check the accuracy of tide tables, we recommend that anyone putting out to sea, or walking in an area where they could be cut off, should check with a tide table specific to their location.

Photographers snap up prizes at local photo competition



Amy Osbourne.



Jacob Rimron.



Paula James.

Photographs by WINDSOR RIMRON

THE winners of a competition, organised by the Pyle and Porthcawl Photographic Society were recently invited to Porthcawl Town Council to receive their prizes.

The prizes were funded by the town council, and the Mayor of Porthcawl, Coun Mike Clarke, presented the prizes.

The subject had to be related to Porthcawl, and the competition was open to non-professionals.

All the photographs were displayed at an exhibition in the Grand Pavilion.

There was an under-16 competition, and an open event, and in the under-16s, third place went to Amy Osbourne, second to Anousha Cronje, and first place was taken by Jacob Rimron.

In the open group, third place went to Geoff Baker, second place to Glyn Edmunds, and the winner was Paula James.

Prizes in each category were £50, £100, £150

The GEM is in partnership with the Dog's Trust to find caring homes for animals in their charge at Bridgend Rehoming Centre (01656 725219)

Bolt wants a loving home for Christmas!

BOLT is a two-year-old greyhound who has been a Dog of the Week in the past, but sadly, he is still with us.

It has been far too long for such a lovely boy, and we would really like to see him in a happy home in time for Christmas.

He is currently staying at a foster home with a group of other, similar-sized dogs.

He also really loves human company, so would like someone who will be in the house most of the time (although he is getting better at spending time alone while in his foster home).

Bolt has had some harsh handling as a younger dog, so it is really important that his new owners stick to positive, reward based



training. Bolt will be a very rewarding dog, for someone who can help him flourish and gain confidence.

If you would like to offer Bolt, or any of our other dogs, a loving home, please call us on 01656 725219 or pop into Dogs Trust in Bridgend. You can see Bolt and some of our other lovely dogs on the website at www.dogstrust.org.uk.

LINDA FEAGAN,
Supporter Relations Officer

THIS PORTHCAWL ARTIST'S CANVAS IS... CONEY BEACH!



ABOVE: Last year's piece of land art, created by Siobhan Grice at Coney Beach.

A LOCAL artist is celebrating the autumn equinox by creating a piece of 'land art' on Coney Beach, Porthcawl, this Saturday, September 21.

Siobhan Grice has been inspired to create land art installations on the beach over the last three years, and she will be at there from 9am to 9pm, doing the first of a three-part installation called 'The Wave of Change' starting with 'Watching'.

She told The GEM: "I will be doing beach art, photographing the day and listening to people's thoughts for change".

The photographs taken will be projected

at the Stage Door in the Grand Pavilion on October 26, between 1pm and 3pm, and people can also share their views again as part of Siobhan's interactive art installation entitled 'Catching'.

This installation will end back at Coney Beach for sunset at 5.30pm on October 26, when the public are invited to light their lanterns along the shoreline for what they would like in their lives called 'Becoming'.

This is part of Sustainable Wales's Green Room programme of events, in association with Splash Up from 12pm - 5pm. For the full programme see www.sustainablewales.org.uk

Heritage Lottery Fund putting Wales on the Digital Map

FUNDING provided by the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) will ensure that diocesan versions of the Tithe maps of Wales, currently held by the National Library of Wales (NLW), are restored, digitised and made available online.

The £486,000 grant will mean that what many regard as the earliest large-scale maps of Wales will continue to be an important historical resource for future generations.

The grant has been awarded to the project 'Cynefin: Mapping Wales' Sense of Place' which is led by Archives and Records Council Wales, working in partnership with the NLW and local authority record offices throughout Wales.

The three-year project aims to encourage more people to get involved with their archival heritage. Working in conjunction with local heritage groups, six community based projects across Wales will take the tithe maps as a starting point to develop their own local projects based on the changing landscape of their area.

The different groups have been chosen to reflect the broad range of communities in modern Wales including English and Welsh speaking communities, urban centres, Communities First areas and isolated rural areas.

Welcoming the announcement, head of the Heritage Lottery Fund in Wales, Jennifer Stewart, said: "The tithe maps are a key resource that provides an insight into Wales' past. This grant will remove many of the past barriers to accessing the maps and as digitisation is a key way of ensuring our heritage is safeguarded for the future, it is excellent that this project will now ensure that these maps will be available online for all to access, use and enjoy."

There are 1,091 tithe maps covering the whole of Wales by parish. The maps provide a record of

the landscape of Wales around 1840, when it was still largely rural in nature; acting as a geographical snapshot of pre-industrial Wales.

The Cynefin project hopes that the digitisation of these maps will create opportunities for more people in Wales to get involved with their archival heritage.

The Garw and Llynfi Valleys near Bridgend will benefit from the funding which will allow them to create textile art works using the historic tithe maps of their local area as their inspiration, which will be documented through a film.

Jennifer Stewart explained: "The parish maps will also enable the creation of local walking trails which will then be placed online through the Bridgend County Council Love2Walk initiative."

"Wider digitisation plans include geo-referencing of the maps, transcribing the accompanying tithe apportionments and geo-locating the apportionment data which will then be searchable on the National Library of Wales website."

"The intention is to also link the resource with the People's Collection Wales website so that the maps can be viewed alongside modern and historic Ordnance Survey maps," she added.

PACT meeting

NEWTON'S next PACT meeting will take place on October 15 at 6.30pm.

It will be held in Newton school rooms located by the green.

It's an opportunity to meet your local bobby and discuss any issues in your area.

Are you caring for someone else's child?

AS part of this year's national Private Fostering Week, September 16-20, Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) is encouraging local residents to let them know if they are caring for someone else's child.

This arrangement is called 'private fostering' and occurs when a child under the age of 16, (or 18 if disabled), is looked after by somebody other than their parents, step-parents, grandparents, brothers, sisters, aunts or uncles for more than 28 days.

A BCBC spokeswoman said: "In order to safeguard children, local authorities must be notified of private fostering arrangements; not doing so is an offence."

"BCBC has a duty to ensure that all children who are being looked after by someone other than their parents are safe, well cared for and getting the services and support they need."

Coun Huw David, cabinet member for children and young people, said: "It is essential that we know when a child is living with another family, so that we can check if the arrangement

is in their best interests.

"When private fostering arrangements are set up, it often doesn't occur to people that they need to tell us about it, but legally they must."

"It's our responsibility to consider the child's welfare and offer support and advice to the private foster carer, the parent and the child or young person."

Examples of private fostering could include a teenager living with a friend's family because they don't get on with their own family; a child living with another family because their parent is in hospital; or teenagers living with the family of a girlfriend or boyfriend.

Ideally, private fostering arrangements should be reported before they are due to start, but the important thing is for the carer to make contact with BCBC as soon as possible.

For more information about private fostering visit www.bridgend.gov.uk/fostering or call the fostering team on 01656 642674.

Would you like an honest, reliable, affordable, police checked

CLEANER for your home.
Typically £10.50 per hour inc.

- Daily, weekly, etc.
- Insurance provided.
- All domestic cleaning undertaken.

TIME FOR YOU
DOMESTIC CLEANING

01656 349 296
01443 625 019
02920 291 000

www.
timeforyou
.co.uk

Comments by patients will go on hospital notice board

PATIENTS at the Princess of Wales Hospital are being given a chance to have their say about the care they receive – in a bid to improve services.

ABM is piloting a feedback form that gives them the chance to rate the care and treatment they received.

It's among the measures being taken after a number of quality and

safety concerns were raised over some services at the hospital.

The Friends and Family' test was inspired by a similar scheme in England, and now ABM has become the first Welsh health board to trial it.

Patients, relatives and carers are asked to complete a form that asks one simple question: How likely are you to recommend this ward/unit to friends and family if they needed similar care or

treatment? They can tick one of six possible responses, ranging from extremely likely to extremely unlikely. There is also a space for comments.

The ABM head of patient experience, Paul Jones, said: "We are piloting it in 22 different units and wards across Princess of Wales Hospital.

"The forms are collected every Thursday and Friday. We process them the following Monday morning and ward sisters and lead nurses have the results by Monday lunchtime.

"These will be displayed on their notice boards so patients and visitors can see them."

Mr Jones said: "We look at the comments to identify any emerging themes and see if there is anything we could perhaps do better."

"Once all the versions are working satisfactorily, we will be looking at when to roll it out across the board."

Ward 10 sister Maggi Earnshaw said: "It's important we listen to what patients and relatives tell us. If they raise something, we address it straight away.

"But it's also great for staff morale when they read the comments and see patients really do appreciate them."

MP is school milk monitor

OGMORE MP Huw Irranca-Davies, acted as milk monitor for the day in Bizzi-Day Nursery, Pontyclun, in celebration of World School Milk Day.

To mark the event Bizzi-Day Nursery encouraged children to drink milk and understand the nutritional benefits milk provides, alongside hundreds of schools and nurseries across the UK throughout September and October 2013.

Mr Irranca-Davies commented: "Having my daily glass of school milk was a real treat when I was a child, and

new generations of youngsters are still enjoying it, even as it helps them grow strong and active. World School Milk Day is a chance to celebrate the importance of good nutrition to the learning and development of our children."

World School Milk Day is on Wednesday, September 25, an initiative driven globally by the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations, World School Milk Day is funded in the UK by Cool Milk, the country's leading school milk supplier.



The 'Love Food, Hate Waste' roadshow highlighted the astonishing amount of food wasted each year in the UK.

Food waste highlighted at Bridgend roadshow

TV CHEF Richard Fox dished out some of his top tips for cutting down food waste at a special roadshow organised by Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) and Wales Awareness Wales.

The 'Love Food, Hate Waste' event at the Tesco Extra store on Cowbridge Road in Bridgend last week, highlighted the astonishing amount of food that we waste each year in the UK.

For example, every day we throw out around four million apples, five million potatoes, and seven million slices of bread. Much of that waste could be prevented if people planned meals better, understood date labels properly and stored food correctly to make it last longer.

Tonnes of perfectly good food could also be saved thanks to a bit of creative cooking and chef Richard Fox demonstrated a few delicious dishes that can be made from left-overs.

The BCBC Deputy Mayor, Coun Gary Thomas, was among those picking up some

food waste hints as he cooked up a flatbread from ingredients that people often discard.

He said: "It was fascinating to hear just how much food is wasted in this country, and that a lot of the waste can easily be avoided."

"I understand that a typical family could save around £50 a month if they cut down on their food waste. Richard has shown how simple it is to make meals out of the left-over food that often remains in the back of your fridge or cupboard for a while, before being thrown out."

"Also, don't forget that if you do have some food waste that is unavoidable, such as egg shells and vegetable peelings, they should be placed in your kitchen caddy for recycling."

Students from Bridgend College also took part in the roadshow as some of the meals being demonstrated were created by Bridgend College lecturer Claire George, who will be soon be launching 'tastED', a new web-based app that encourages healthy eating.

Developed by Claire in partnership with

'reach' – BCBC's rural development programme – and funded by the Welsh Government and European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development, the app will help families source local produce and prepare healthy meals.

The app, due to be launched and trialled with a group of 10 families in October, will also provide information such as where to find suppliers, and give recipes for everyday use and healthy lifestyle tips.



Bridgend County Borough Deputy Mayor Coun Gary Thomas picking up some tips from TV chef Richard Fox.

WI members are looking forward to fashion show

THE September meeting of Southerndown WI was an opportunity for members to catch up following the summer break.

Vice-president Pam stood in for Meryl and, before updating the group on forthcoming events, she congratulated Rhianon and Olwyn on their successes at the recent WI Show.

She also welcomed three potential members who were visiting the group. Forthcoming events include the autumn council meeting in Port Talbot on November 4, a Scrabble competition on November 2 and a Bridge competition on November 23.

The committee managed to 'per-

suade' six members to become models for the fashion show with Samantha B during the next meeting on October 10, and a discussion was held regarding our Christmas celebratory meal.

A deposit will be collected during the meeting on October 10 from those wishing to go on our trip to Abbey Cwm Hir in April 2014.

New members are always welcome and anyone who would like to join is reminded that their subscription, paid in October or November this year will cover membership until December 2014. Meetings are held in the Church Hall in St Brides Major and start at 7.15pm.

PM



MAKING BRIGHT FUTURES TOGETHER

Come and see what we have to offer!



OPEN EVENING
Wednesday
25 September.
Tours start at
4 or 4.30pm.

A caring, community pupil focused school that's delighted to announce ever improving results at all levels.

96% of pupils achieved 5A* - C grades and 60% achieved 5A* - C grades including Maths and English at GCSE in 2013.

Coychurch Road,
Pencoed, Bridgend.
CF35 5LZ

01656 867100

admin.pencoedcomp@bridgend.gov.uk
www.pencoedcs.bridgend.sch.uk



Who wants to build what and where?

Ms Catrin Morgan – Sutton Court, 15 Merthyr Mawr Road, Bridgend – Dismantle holly on side and shorten lateral branches of Cedar tree by 3-4m.
BCBC Education – Oldcastle Primary School, South Street, Bridgend – Reduce height of Hornbeam tree by 30 per cent and reshape.
Mr Alun Davies – 40 Parc Tyny Waun, Maesteg – Fell Willow tree.
Treforest Tiling Ltd – Plot D4(A), North Road, Bridgend Industrial Estate – New two storey office accommodation, alterations to site boundary fencing and siting steel storage containers.
Mrs D Cook – Uchaf Cottage, Shwt Uchaf, Shwt, Bridgend – Change of use from stables to a cattery business.
Mr Max Gear – The Coach

House, Heol-y-Felin, Heol y Cyw – Second storey bathroom addition to west elevation and re-siting front doorway.
Mr Anthony Davies – Bryntirion Park, Llangewydd Road, Bridgend – Single storey extension to existing clubhouse.
Mrs C Samuel – Woodstock Stud, Llangenor – Outline application for two dwellings.
Mr Gary Evans – Field off Moor Lane, Porthcawl – Proposed access track for maintenance of existing sewage treatment plant.
Mr Andrew Street – 5, Spoonbill Close, Porthcawl – Remove existing dormers and replace with new single dormer.
LGA Limited – Birkett House, Abergarw Trading Estate, Brynmynyn – Ancillary storage building.
Mr Thomas Dawkins – Land adjacent Ty Eglwys, Newcastle Hill, Bridgend – Two and a half storey single detached building.
H D Ltd – Ruhamah Church, Wyndham Street, Bridgend – proposed extension, alterations and refurbishment.
Mr S Williams – Swashways, 24/25 West Drive, Porthcawl – alterations and extensions to existing property and change from one dwelling to two dwellings; re-submission of P/12/495/FUL.
Mrs A Stuckey – Bryn Seion Chapel, Coychurch Road, Pencoed – conversion of semi-detached chapel into four-bedroom dwelling with off-road parking space.
Right Road Renewables – Land at Stormy Farm, Pyle – request for screening opinion for the erection of a single wind turbine.
Mr and Mrs S and J Davies – Gilfach Uchaf Farm, Llangynwyd – alterations/refurbishments to outbuildings to create farm cottage with equestrian centre including stables.
Mr G Rogers – 17 Nicholls Avenue, Porthcawl – rear single storey extension and replacement garage.
Mr W Adams – Land adjacent former Aber Infants School, Fern Street, Ogmogre Vale – construction of workshop and summerhouse.
Mr Lloyd Bennett – 77 The Avenue, Pontycymmer – two-storey extension to rear of property to provide facilities for a disabled person.

Post-war snapshots of RAF Llandow



ABOVE: 614 Squadron gather for a group photograph..



ABOVE: Viv believes he has been able to identify a number, but not all of the people in the above photograph. Front row, left to right: Fli Lt George, Air Commodore Cadman, the Squadron Leader (who was killed in a Tudor crash), Fli Lt Spurdens, and an engineer officer. At the back, to the extreme left, behind Fli Lt Martin, is the late Graham Crocker, who was a resident of Cowbridge.



Servicing a Harvard training aircraft.



ABOVE: Returning from a training flight.

Airline pilot was attacked by cabin crew ex-girlfriend

AN airline pilot had a broken glass thrust into the side of his face by a drunken cabin crew member when he told her their affair was over, writes AJ SICLUNA.

Cardiff Crown Court heard that soon after, 36-year-old Frances Smith confessed to the police: "I did it, I'm really sorry, I've done a stupid thing."

The victim, David Gibbs, who lives in Barry, suffered an 8cm cut to the side of his jaw, which required deep and surface stitches.

Smith, who lives in Horley, Surrey, and who had no previous convictions, admitted a charge of wounding.

She was sentenced to a year's imprisonment, suspended for two years, made subject to a supervision order for a year, and directed to carry out 150 hours unpaid work.

She was also ordered to pay costs of £535 and a victim surcharge of £100.

Said Judge Tom Crowther QC: "Had that injury been lower, the consequences would have been utterly dreadful."

"You made early admissions and you have shown remorse."

Prosecutor David Pugh said the couple had been in a relationship for 18 months.

"He is from Barry, and at about 6pm on May 5, they left the Premier Inn in the town and went to J D

Wetherspoon and later Finnegan's Bar in Barry.

"They were accompanied by Mr Gibbs' adult daughter."

He said the couple had a disagreement and a verbal argument, which passed.

There were then text messages between them, and he said: "Leave me alone, we're finished."

She had referred to a friend as a "slag" and texted him back, saying she understood.

She then became intoxicated and emotional, and at about 9.30pm, all three were in the bar, and she said to him: "Why didn't you tell your daughter I'm pregnant?"

She was not.

She threw her drink into Mr Gibbs' face and when he turned to the bar, she struck him with a broken glass to the face.

The wound bled profusely and she ran from the premises and was detained by an off-duty police officer.

She told officers she had been extremely upset, had had two pregnancy terminations at his request and had not got over it, said Mr Pugh.

She accepted she had taken a significant amount of alcohol and on a drunken scale of one to ten, she said she was nine.

She accepted she was not pregnant.

When her counsel, Tracey Lloyd-Nesling, stood up to mitigate, the Judge said: "You don't need to, I'm not sending this woman to prison."

INSTALL SKIP HIRE LTD

Mini, Midi & Large Builders Skips

Delivered & Collected

- Fast & Efficient Service
- Friendly Staff
- 16 Yard & Roll On Roll off Skips available
- 95% of our waste is recycled
- Highway permits arranged when required

Unit 12F, Atlantic Trading Estate, Barry CF63 3RF
Tel. 01446 421072/733773
Email installskiphireltd@hotmail.co.uk

Mr Viv Morgan, who lives in Bridgend, has written to The GEM regarding his post-war memories of Llandow - and included some photographs.

He explained: "In 1946, after returning from a four-year tour of the Middle East, I was posted to the Air Ministry in London."

"I was informed that No.614 (County of Glamorgan) R.Aux.AF Squadron, which had been disbanded at the end of the war, was being reformed and

based at RAF Llandow."

Mr Morgan was introduced to a Fli Lt CN Spurdens, who was to be the adjutant of the Squadron, and they went to Llandow to make preparations to welcome the new RAF personnel.

There were three regular RAF officers, Fli Lt Spurdens, the adjutant; Fli Lt George Martin (from Cardiff); the flying instructor and the engineer officer, whose name Mr Morgan cannot recall.

Mr Morgan was the sergeant in charge of the orderly room and helped to recruit ground staff and pilots.

WE ARE NOW ON TWITTER!
Follow The GEM
@gem_news

Reduce your overheads

Cut the cost of running your business

the businesscentre flexible serviced offices

Tel: 0800 634 9920

enquiries@thebusinesscentreonline.co.uk

www.TheBusinessCentreOnline.co.uk

Cardiff House, Cardiff Road, Barry, Vale of Glamorgan CF63 2AW

Gileston open day is on track for charity!

DESPITE the gales, and even leaves on the line...the first Gileston (garden) light railway open day went ahead on Sunday, September 15.

The weather, as predicted was changeable and wet, but with a quick change of plan and the family tent erected in the back garden, those attending were able to enjoy a ride on the railway, followed by hot drinks and homemade cakes.

A total of 29 people, young, and a little bit older, attended the event and enjoyed the afternoon. Gileston villagers, visitors from St Athan, Llantwit Major and even Cardiff, kindly supported the day.

Through this support, we were able to raise £75 to be split between MND and BHF; a fantastic achievement.

As a family, we would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to those who were able to attend and give their support, despite the wet conditions.

Also, we would like to thank those who donated to the raffle, including, Llantwit Major Co-op and local residents, Pat and Mick Chinn.

Shirley Dodd-Clark



NATHAN WINS A USA GOLF SCHOLARSHIP

Report by TIM CHAPMAN

A young Bridgend golfer has realised a sporting dream – by winning a sports scholarship to Kirkwood College, Iowa in America.

Nathan Chilcott (21) started this August and will train as a golfer, while also studying for a business degree.

As a youngster, Nathan attended Ysgol Bro Ogwr, Bridgend and Ysgol Gyfn, Llanhari, and played golf for St Mary's Golf Club junior team and Southerndown Golf Club men's team.

"My interest in the game began at 12 years old, when my dad introduced me and my brother Chris to golf at the Pencoed College course. We then became junior members at St Mary's Golf Club, Pencoed."

Nathan's potential for the scholarship was spotted when he was playing in a tournament abroad.

"After playing in the grand final of the Faldo Series in Brazil, FirstPoint USA contacted me asking whether I would be interested in studying in the USA on a golf scholarship."

FirstPoint USA acts as an intermediary between talented athletes and college coaches.

Rosie Witham from FirstPoint USA

explained: "American colleges are keen to attract the very best sporting talent from across the world."

"Our experience and long standing relationships with over 2,500 colleges from Hawaii in the west to New York in the East, lets us provide the very best advice to any young athlete who has aspirations of living, studying and training in the US."

Nathan said: "When I was offered the scholarship, I was relieved to be finally given that chance."

Nathan will be training and studying in America for four years. In his first US tournament, he tied sixth out of 120 entrants. Nathan plays off 'scratch' and his dream is to become a professional tour golfer.

His mother Colette said: "I'm so proud of him. We noticed that both boys were sporty kids and they took to golf and loved the sport. Nathan went on to develop further and it became his main ambition in life."

"If he wasn't in school, or working, he was at the golf club. I would like to thank everyone who has been involved in helping us get Nathan to the USA. Friends and family have worked hard and supported him."



ABOVE:
Nathan Chilcott.

Youth in fine form

PORTHCAWL Youth continued their unbeaten start to the new season with a resounding 46-0 Cup victory over Maesteg youth at South Road.

Six of the Seaweeds' eight tries were scored by backs as they recorded their fourth consecutive win under new coach Matthew Owen, who has been receiving expert assistance from current Wales international Tom Prydie.

Owen hailed his team's rapid progress: "We've had a great start to the season. Hopefully, we can maintain it and carry on with our winning ways."

The former Bridgend wing has been particularly impressed with the way a number of his players have adapted to the demands of youth rugby. "Young guys coming up for their first year in youth, like Cory Gardner, have really started to shine," he said.

Full-back Gardner grabbed one of Porthcawl's tries, while fellow backs Ollie Banner, Lloyd Rosser, Josh White, Ethan Wintle and Conor Rees, the captain, also crossed the Maesteg line in a one-sided encounter.

Banner, who formed an excellent partnership with Ollie Hopkins in the centre, has been his side's stand-out performer so far, according to Owen: "Over the four games Ollie Banner has been outstanding. He's a really good prospect for the future."

Despite the feats of the live-wire Banner and the backs, No 8 Gareth Rees Evans was the man-of-the-match, narrowly edging out flanker Jack Taylor. Rees Evans and Taylor were the other try-scorers while the rest of the points came from the boot of outside-half White.

Owen was keen to emphasise the vital part played by the entire Porthcawl pack, whose sterling efforts enabled their backs to run riot.

The coach singled out Jake Furness, making his first appearance at hooker, and front-row colleagues Tom Matthews and Ben Wall for praise: "I thought the front row gave us a great platform up front to provide quick ball for our backs."

Porthcawl will aim to produce a similarly convincing display when the two teams meet again, this time at Maesteg, this Saturday. **TW**

Scott Wroe Hearing Centre PENARTH



Scott Wroe Hearing Centre in Penarth is an independent, family run hearing aid practice with over 35 years experience of helping people improve their hearing. They are a 5 Star Centre for Phonak as well as the first Widex Approved centre in the UK.

- The highest levels of service and aftercare
- 30 day trial on all hearing aids
- 5 year warranty on all Phonak hearing aids
- 5 year aftercare service plan with all hearing aids
- Independent advice on all leading makes and models
- Home visit service available



Mr Bartley Phillips

"The aids have given me a new lease of life. I can now hear people on the phone and also background noises. My children, friends and relatives cannot get over the change in me. I wish I'd done it years ago."

For more information or to arrange your appointment
Please call **02920 707760**
Station Approach, Penarth CF64 3EE
(FREE PARKING OPPOSITE THE SHOP)



The Players present a whodunnit

BRIDGEND Castle Players next month proudly present 'Who Killed the Director?'

The quiet village of Finkleton Fold is stunned when the dynamic director of their amateur dramatics group, Ralph Valentine, is stabbed during rehearsals for their own murder play!

Tensions have been running high:

Who switched the prop knife for a real one?

Who holds a grudge bitter enough to engineer this murder?

Detective Angood, is set the unenviable task of unravelling a particularly crafty and Machiavellian murder case.

Join the audience of this amazing murder mystery night – which is much more than a usual visit to the theatre!

Can you solve the case before our intrepid

detective?

Your ticket price will include a "Whodunnit" sheet, information about the characters in the play and your own "murder/mystery quiz".

The short comfort breaks after acts one and two will provide you with an opportunity to question the detective, before the result of the mystery is finally revealed in act three.

The production will take place on Friday, October 11, at the OCLP Social Club in Bryntirion.

Doors will open at 7.30pm and the show starts at 8.30pm.

Tickets are £5 and can be purchased in advance via the Bridgend Castle Players website, www.bridgendcastleplayers.org, at the OCLP, and via our secretary.

Tickets will also be available on the door, on the night. **SJ**

YOUR CHANCE TO SHARE COMMUNITY NEWS

Kenfig Hill & District Male Voice Choir

Following their summer recess, the choir started back with a programme of events for September.

On the Sunday immediately following their return to rehearsals, the choir sang in the civic service at Pysgah Chapel for the borough Mayor, Coun Clive James, who is also a member of the choir.

This was followed last Saturday when the choir sang at the Porthcawl Music & Flower Festival in All Saints Church.

The choir has once

again travelled north to join up with the Shirebrook Miners Welfare Brass Band to give a charity concert in Doncaster Minster. They will travel on to Selby Abbey to give their seventh concert since being invited there in 2001.

This year, the choir will entertain at the annual patrons and vice presidents' evening in the Grove Golf Club on Saturday, October 19. **Mynydd Cynffig Junior School**

Congratulations go to the following pupils, who joined Mr Davies for a special lunch last Friday, as a reward for their high standard of behaviour, including

politeness to both staff and fellow pupils during lunchtimes last week; *Shauna Lewis, Joshua Scott, Patricia Davies, Charlotte Edmunds, Joshua Urch, Luke Hamer, Brooke Rees Simcock, Jordan Harris, Sophie Gardner, Alfie Law, Corey Knight and Nia Walters.*

Tomorrow, Friday, September 20, pupils from year-3 will make an interesting visit to Techniquet in Cardiff during which they will undertake a selection of maths trials.

Also tomorrow, the school will also be taking part in a rugby/netball 'festival' at St. Clare's School, Porthcawl.



COMMUNITY NEWS from KENFIG HILL AND PYLE

by **Richard Sims**

Telephone: 01656 746840

Mobile: 07802 439679

E-Mail: richardsims@talktalk.net

Next Thursday, September 26, the school will be holding a disco for the pupils in the school hall between 6-7.30 pm.

Shout

Kenfig Hill Shout Forum for the over-50s will be holding their next meeting at Theo's Charity Shop, Bridge

Street, Kenfig Hill, on Tuesday, September 24, between 2-4pm.

The speaker on this occasion will be from BCBC Trading Standards. If you would like to help improve local services for older people in the community, you would be very welcome at the meeting.

For further information, ring Stan Rumble on 01656 741203.

Pysgah Chapel

Pysgah ladies fellowship are holding a coffee evening in aid of Macmillan Cancer Relief in the Pysgah Chapel Vestry on Thursday, September 26 at 7pm.

Entry is just £3, so why not go along and enjoy a pleasant evening and help a worthwhile cause at the same time?

The Harvest

Thanksgiving is being held in Pysgah Chapel on Thursday, October 3, at 7pm. This will be followed by a Harvest supper in the Vestry at approximately 8pm.

Everyone is welcome to attend. For details of events being held at Pysgah Chapel - ring either Rhian on 01656 744772, or Karen on 01656 740684.

Parish news

Pyle & Kenfig Mothers Union are holding a coffee morning in the Parish Hall, Pyle this Saturday, September 21, at 10.30am. Tickets are £2 and all money is in aid of Mothers Union Projects.

The Parish of St James' Pyle with St Mary Magdalene invite you to join them for Harvest Thanksgiving in Pyle at 11am and 6pm on Sunday, September 29; and in

Maudlam at 9.30am and 6pm on Sunday, October 6.

For information of all events happening in the Parish, ring either the Rev Dr Duncan Walker on 01656 740500 or Gareth Gardner on 07779 239302.

Wellbeing Centre

Included in activities being held by the Mental Health Matters at the Talbot Community Centre, Prince Road, Kenfig Hill from 1pm to 5pm on Wednesday, August 25, will be arts & crafts from 2-4pm, the Reading Group from 3pm to 4pm, and a quiz from 3pm to 4pm. There will also be a great social afternoon

Georgina wins 'spectacle wearer of the year'!

RIGHT: Georgina Bunch with Lulu.

A woman from Bridgend has been crowned Spectacle Wearer of the Year, in the 40 - 59 category, in a glitzy national event to celebrate spec-wearers.

Georgina Bunch (41) was chosen from thousands of entries from across the UK to win the prize at the Spectacle Wearer of the Year Awards, which were held at the world famous Royal Opera House in London.

She was presented with her award by the pop legend Lulu, and as part of her prize was treated to a full makeover and given £500 to spend on clothes at House of Fraser.

She said: "I have had the time of my life, it really has been a one in a million experience. My mother was a ballerina, so to go to the award ceremony in the Royal Opera House meant so much to me."



"I want to dedicate this award to my grandson, daughter and son, as they were all super

excited for me."

"My nine-year-old Marco even wrote a special letter to Gok Wan, who was hosting the event, inviting him back to Bridgend for his tea!"

"The awards supported the children's charity Kidscape - I used to work with young people and I know how serious issues of bullying can be so I was really pleased to take part in the event."

Other stars appearing on the night included Dame Edna Everage, the former Spice Girl Melanie C, and Britain's Got Talent runner-up, Jack Carroll.

The event raised £35,000 for the charity Kidscape, taking the total raised for Kidscape by the awards in the last five years to £160,000.

wives of Henry VII was executed in 1542 when she was accused of committing adultery with the courtier Thomas Culpepper?

3) In 1955, which US baseball team controversially moved from New York and relocated in Los Angeles?

4) Which US President was once employed as a male model?

A.RUDGE (for Quiz League)

ANSWERS
1. Larry Twins
2. Catherine Howard
3. Brooklyn Dodgers
4. Gerald Ford

Quiz League questions

THE League's 41st season was seen in on Monday, September 9, with the annual Muriel Williams Cup which was won convincingly by the League champions Llangewydd Arms and the same number of teams as last year registered.

Here are your four-for-thought:

1) Which notorious brothers were briefly imprisoned in the Tower of London in 1952 for failing to report for National Service?

2) Which of the

Learning all about hearing dogs for deaf

THE September meeting of Mynydd Cynffig WI started off our countdown to Christmas.

We had several trips in our summer break, which were enjoyed by all.

Our quilt and craft exhibition raised £200 for our friends at Sandville.

We are all looking forward to our autumn outings a fashion show in Mumbles, a musical evening in Archbishop McGrath school, a trip to St David's Hall, Cardiff

to see Only Men Aloud, and not forgetting our Christmas party.

Our guest speaker, Marilyn Sydenham, was welcomed by our deputy chairwoman, Sue Shephard. The talk was on hearing dogs for deaf people, which was interesting and informative.

We finished the meeting with tea and biscuits. The next meeting will be on October 8 at 2.30pm in Pyle church hall, as usual, and our guest speaker will be Steven Jarvis.

The topic is *Toy Story* - we might all get tips for our grandchildren for Christmas presents!

CC

KPC youth's coffee morning

KPC Youth, next to Pil Primary School in Pyle, are hosting their annual coffee morning at their centre, in aid of Macmillan Cancer Relief on Thursday, September 26 between 9.15-11am.

They will be joined by Pil Primary School Choir at 9.30am for a few songs, followed by the usual "fun bingo" and raffle.

Admission is just £1 and includes coffee/tea & biscuit - please pop along and help support this very worthwhile cause.

Contact the centre on 01656 749219/745399, or email: kpcyouth@hotmail.com.

Did you know you can your read GEM online?
bridgend-today.co.uk

WEDDING STATIONERY
Traditional Fashionable and Romantic Designs for your day.
We can produce a design of your choice.
Knight PRINT
Unit C5, Station Approach Ind. Est.
Penarth CF64 3EE
Tel: 029 2070 7115
E-mail: info@knightprint.co.uk
Website: www.knightprint.co.uk

FREE LEGAL ADVICE FROM HUGH JAMES

Visit a FREE, no obligation, drop in session to discuss whether you are eligible for compensation



Stephen Webber will be in your local area to talk about:

- **Medical negligence** claims including missed fractures, birth injuries, cerebral palsy, mis-diagnosis and surgical complications.
- **Work place injuries** including factory, construction, agricultural, falling from height and fatal accidents.
- **Industrial illness** including asbestos exposure, crystalline silica exposure, mesothelioma, lung cancer, respiratory disease and deafness.

Stephen will be at Brackla Community Centre, Oaktree Surgery, Whitethorn Drive, Brackla, Bridgend, CF31 2PG on the date listed below.

Tuesday 24 Sept 10am - 7pm

No appointment is necessary, we can also arrange free telephone consultations and home visits. Contact:

Stephen Webber

T: 0800 0938240

E: stephen.webber@hughjames.com

W: www.hughjames.com/bridgend

HUGH JAMES
expert legal advice

Hugh James are authorised and regulated by the Solicitors Regulation Authority (SRA number 303202)

Volunteer hub gets a boost from supermarket



PICTURED (left to right): Mr Ian Hunt (managing director, Filco Supermarket); Natalie Sargent (deputy director, Vale Volunteer Bureau), Mathew Coffin (Good Neighbours and Ageing Well manager, Age Concern), Mayor Keith Geary (Llantwit Major) and Gemma Murphy (Volunteer Support Officer).

THE Vale Volunteer Bureau (VVB) has been awarded £500 from the 'Make a Difference Locally' fund applied for through Filco Supermarket.

Alison Steere, director of VVB, said: "This was fantastic news and we are really pleased with the support we received for our application from Filco Supermarket."

"This fund has enabled us to pilot shop front premises on Boverton Road in Llantwit Major, and the results have been fantastic – we have helped to support over 100 local residents and many organisations within a few weeks. We are therefore pleased to announce that we will continue to be open until at least March 2014."

Gary Bohun from Age Concern, Llantwit Major, stated that "The VVB helps me greatly with recruiting volunteers who provide a vital service for

older people in our communities. The staff at VVB are always very helpful, and volunteers speak highly of the support and enthusiasm they provide."

"Since they have opened an office in Llantwit Major, there has been a marked increase in potential volunteers referred to me. This means that I am able to provide services to more older people within the western Vale."

VVB opened its premises on Boverton Road (next to the Post Office) in June. It is open on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and the last Saturday of the month from 10am–2pm. The main premises on Holton Road, Barry are open from Monday to Friday from 10am–4pm.

If you have any questions, or would like to discuss any matter relating to volunteering, call the VVB on 01446 421782, or email info@vvb.org.uk.

Organ donation law receives royal assent

A LANDMARK Welsh law which will change the system of organ donation in Wales has been granted royal assent by the Queen.

Wales will become the first nation in the UK to introduce a soft opt-out system of organ donation when the new law is brought fully into effect on December 1, 2015.

A soft opt-out system of organ donation means that unless a person makes a decision to be a donor (opts in) or NOT to be a donor (opts out), their consent to donation will be deemed to have been given.

At any one time there are about 220 Welsh residents on the active waiting list for a transplant. Last year, around one person a week died in Wales while waiting for an organ donation.

The First Minister of Wales, Carwyn Jones said: "The Human Transplantation (Wales) Act 2013 is arguably the most significant piece of legislation passed by the National Assembly for Wales since it acquired

full lawmaking powers in 2011.

"Many people will wait years for a transplant but, sadly, many die waiting on the list. The shortage of human organs continues to cause otherwise preventable deaths and suffering."

"This law will not only help reduce the waiting list, but will also help save lives, by reducing the number of people who needlessly die waiting for an organ transplant."

Wales Health Minister, Mark Drakeford said: "Although we celebrate the commencement of the Act today, it is important to remember the new system will not come into force until December 1, 2015, following a two-year public information campaign."

"During this campaign, people will be given plenty of information on how the new system works and what their choices are. Even today though, people can help others by ensuring their loved ones know their wishes about organ donation and I would encourage everyone to have that conversation."

ADVERTISING PROMOTION

Get back on track with a new course!

ENROLMENTS are being taken for new adult education courses starting in September – and there are now more courses than ever before to help you get back on track and gain some skills and qualifications.

Adult & Community Centres are launching their new Get Back on Track programme with a range of short courses and one day workshops that will help you learn to use the internet and email, do Online Job search and applications, write your CV and learn the basics of computers, to help you in the workplace.

The courses are ideal if you are unemployed, or thinking of going back to work – and are free to anyone in receipt of benefits or who is seeking employment. The short courses are an ideal starting point to gain some skills and confidence and decide what to do next.

There are opportunities to brush up on your English and maths, whether you need to gain some qualifications, or just

Free drop-in workshops are held at all centres across the Vale of Glamorgan and you can learn at your own pace in small groups.

Information on all courses can be found in the new Adult & Community Learning prospectus, which is now available at all main centres, council buildings,

libraries and also on line at www.vale-courses.org

The prospectus contains information on all the courses on offer from September, including Computers, Creative Arts, Languages, Health & Wellbeing, English & maths, and Welsh. Other courses include Counselling, Music, History and Literature.

Many courses are now accredited with the chance to gain some useful qualifications for the workplace, or as a stepping stone to further education.

Fee concessions are available for anyone who is retired or in receipt of benefits, and there is a free crèche available for under fives at certain centres.

Courses commence from September 23. For more information, contact an Adult & Community Learning Centre: Palmerston Centre 01446 733762, Barry Centre 01446 738054, Cowbridge Community College 01446 773831, Penarth Centre 029 2070 1569.

(SEE OUR ADVERT ON PAGE 7)

The GEM is now on Twitter

Follow us at @gem_news

Everything for the Home September Spectacular



**20%
BACK
IN VOUCHERS***

**HURRY,
ENDS
SUNDAY**

■ Sofas ■ Dining ■ Beds ■ Carpets ■ Interior Design ■ Home Textiles
■ Fire Studio ■ Paint & Paper ■ Kitchens ■ Bathrooms ■ Leisure Clothing

Leekes Llantrisant,
Cowbridge Road, RCT. CF72 8XU

Telephone 0845 050 8240
Online at leekes.co.uk

Leekes
You're home

Man 'feared for his life' during flat attack

A MAN feared for his life when an intruder burst into his flat, repeatedly stamped on his head and threw a television set at him, Cardiff Crown Court has heard.

At the time, the victim, 39-year-old Leon Russell, owed the man £30 for a quantity of amphetamine.

Liam Blackmore (36), who at the time was living in the Barry area, has pleaded not guilty to charges of causing actual bodily harm and criminal damage.

The court heard that since the attack, Mr Russell had died, but his death was in no way connected with the incident.

Prosecutor John Probert said that in the early hours of April 16, Blackmore went into the flat in Avocet Court, Barry, where Mr Russell was asleep on a settee.

Mr Russell heard a banging sound, and became aware he was being assaulted.

Initially, he didn't know who his attacker was, but eventually he recognised Blackmore,

Report by AJ SICLUNA

who shouted: "Give me my money".

After the attack, Mr Russell was left blood-stained.

Blackmore was arrested but refused to leave a police cell to be interviewed. His trousers and trainers were taken from him, and on the items was blood, identified as that of Mr Russell.

Later, Blackmore said in a statement that he was not responsible for the assault, said Mr Probert. He admitted entering the flat and said he found Mr Russell in an injured condition.

"That is the explanation for the blood on his trainers and trousers," said Mr Probert.

He said it was convenient that he gave such an explanation at such a late stage in the proceedings.

In a statement, Mr Russell said that the defendant forced his way in. He said he had known him about three months and he was a heavily built man of about six feet

tall. During the attack, he said, he used his hands to cover his head, but they also got stamped on.

"I was completely confused and petrified, and I felt it was going on and on," he stated. He said he believed at the time one or two other men were present.

He also said that when the television was thrown at him, it bounced off his shoulder.

His injuries, he said, including bruising, cuts, swellings, a bleeding nose and chipped teeth.

In a further statement, he said that during the attack, he feared for his life.

The case continues.

Adult courses in county borough

ADULT learning courses across Bridgend county borough cover a wide variety of topics, including Welsh, animal care, art, computers, cookery, crafts, education and training, engineering, gardening, GCSEs, hair and beauty, health and well-being, history and philosophy, languages, music, photography and media, preparation for work and social science. See www.aclridgend.co.uk.

Plough's that! Keith lands title

THE Ferguson event was won by Adam Llewellyn of Aberkenfig; the organisers were pleased to welcome a number of young competitors.

The results of the European T20 Ploughing Championship were: first champion - Keith Williams, Kings Caple, Hereford; Second - Co Looijesteijn, Van Balen, Netherlands; third, Donald Mills, Knighton, Powys; fourth - Andrew Drinkwater, Chipping Campden, Gloucester; fifth - Robert Godfrey, Hawarden, Flintshire.

The junior winner was Sam Ritchie, Rhosgoch, Powys.

BG

Crime writer at Pyle Life Centre

MYSTERY, adventure and intrigue will be on the agenda when the creator of the popular DI Andy Horton crime novel series, Pauline Rowson, attends a free 'meet the author' event at Pyle Life Centre on October 3 at 2pm.

The novelist will be sharing secrets about her craft and answering questions from the audience.

Coun Lyn Morgan, cabinet member for wellbeing, said: "While there are countless secrets, lies and crimes for DI Horton to unravel in Pauline's novels, it's no mystery why our library service is so excited to welcome her to Pyle."

"Pauline has received outstanding reviews for her work, and this event



ABOVE: Bestselling crime novelist Pauline Rowson.

poses a fantastic opportunity for our budding writers to play detective and interrogate one of the UK's most sought-after authors to reveal some tricks of the trade."

Free tickets are available at Pyle Life Centre.



LLANTWIT MAJOR SCHOOL YSGOL LLANILLTUD FAWR



A school for the 21st Century at the Heart of the Community



*The Headteacher, Dr V Browne
& Staff extend a warm invitation to our...*

Information Evening for Prospective Pupils and Parents

**Thursday 26 September 2013
6.00pm-8.00pm**

to meet our dedicated team of staff

- Excellent A-Level results with 80% of all grades obtained being A*-C; 25% of which were A* or As
- A dramatic increase in GCSEs to 89% for students achieving an A*-C grade
- Exceptional GCSE Science results with 98% of students achieving an A*-C grade or equivalent; the best of any school in Wales for the second successive year
- Ranked in the top 25% of similar schools for outstanding KS3 performance

STEAMED UP DOUBLE GLAZING?

Don't replace the Frames... just the Panes!

Broken or Damaged Windows?
Faulty Hinges, Handles or Locks?
Want the latest energy saving glass?
5 year guarantee on new double glazing.



REPLACING YOUR FAULTY DOUBLE GLAZING

...we make saving money perfectly clear...

Call Freephone **0800 61 21 118**
www.cloudy2clear.com

Llantwit Major School, Ham Lane East, Llantwit Major, Vale of Glamorgan CF61 1TQ

Tel: 01446 793301 • E-Mail: llantwitmajorhs@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk • www.llantwitschool.org.uk

C.S.Boxall Ltd.
Plumbing, Heating & Electrical Work
Over 30 years experience in the industry.

*C.S. Boxall is a family business
established since 1990*

WORCESTER
Bosch Group
Gas, Oil & Solid Fuel
Boiler Installations.
Please take advantage
of our Free Survey



**PLAN AHEAD FOR YOUR
WINTER HEATING SERVICE.**
Visit our warehouse for all your plumbing,
heating and drainage supplies
01446 772292

AGA & RAYBURN
Installation, Service
and Breakdown
Servicing from £80



**For all
your Tool &
Plant Hire**

Visit our website: www.csboxall.co.uk



Office 01446 772444 - Freephone 0800 849 1254

39F Vale Business Park, Llandow, Nr Cowbridge, CF71 7PF

OPEN:
8am
'til 5pm



TREVOR WEIGHS UP THE GRAND PUMPKIN PRIZE!

FONMON Castle's 'Guess the Weight of the Pumpkin' competition at the Vale Agricultural Show, was held in the grounds of Fonmon Castle on Wednesday, August 21.

The pumpkin, grown at the castle by head gardener Alun Taylor and his team, weighed in at 49.80kg, and the winner was Trevor Walsh, who won the first prize of lunch for four at Fonmon Castle with his guess of 49.74kg. Second place, a bottle of champagne, went to Mrs Carol George, and a box of chocolates was won by Miss Jasmine Wells.



ABOVE: Competition winner Trevor Walsh (right) with Mrs Walsh, friends and Sir Brooke Boothby (centre).

Red Cross volunteers wanted

THE British Red Cross is urging people looking for a new challenge to give a few hours of their time to a service that supports vulnerable and isolated people in the Vale and Cardiff.

The Gofal y Ddolen service urgently needs more volunteers to help ensure that the right support is available to vulnerable members of the community.

The service helps people aged 50 and above who are lonely, socially isolated and lacking self confidence by harnessing the natural goodwill that exists in communities.

Volunteers are asked to commit to regular visits. Tasks include anything from simply offering encouragement and companionship to helping social activities. Volunteers can expect full support.

The service operates Monday to Friday between the hours of 9am-5pm and volunteers to make a commitment of a minimum of three to four hours per week, plus occasional attendance for training and at

meetings. All of our volunteers must be DBS (formerly CRB) checked. Training is provided and a uniform is supplied. Reasonable out of pocket expenses are also covered.

To find out more, telephone Robert Purnell on 07921 404327 or email CardiffValeCSS@redcross.org.uk.

LLANTWIT MAJOR CRAFT & GIFT FAIRS

Saturday 21st September - Llantonian Hall
(behind the library) 10.00am - 3pm

Come and see your regular favourites, look at new stalls and indulge in a yummy snack.

Enquiries: contact Peta Shields
E:petashields@gmail.com

OPEN 6 DAYS A WEEK, EXCEPT BRIDGEND WHICH IS OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK • WHEEL ALIGNMENT SPECIALISTS

CELTIC TYRES

50 YEARS FOR TYRES IN SOUTH WALES

GOOD

Sava



Budget Range Tyres

Premium Budget

155/70TR13 £34.50

165/70TR13 £37.50

175/70TR14 £43.00

175/65TR14 £42.00

Please phone if your tyre size is not listed.

BETTER

Hankook



Mid Range Tyres

Hankook

195/50R15 K110 £53.17

195/50R15 K110 £57.40

205/50R16 XL £68.50

205/50R17 K118 £89.00

Firestone

195/50R15 T200 £54.50

195/50R15 T200 £60.95

205/50R16 T200 £66.50

205/50R17 S290 £90.00

Please phone if your tyre size is not listed.

BEST

Goodyear



Top Brand Tyres

Goodyear

195/50R15 Efficient £59.50

195/50R15 Efficient £59.90

195/50R15 Efficient £63.50

195/50R15 Efficient £67.95

205/50R16 Efficient £72.50

205/50R16 Efficient £79.00

215/50R16 Efficient £109.50

225/50R17 Efficient £99.90

225/50R17 Efficient £110.00

225/50R18 Efficient £117.40

205/50R17 MCT5 £125.00

245/40R18 RunOnFlat £216.00

Please phone if your tyre size is not listed.

**Driving down
Britain's fuel costs.**

**Up to £40 fuel voucher
when you buy
Goodyear tyres.***

**£75
Cash back*
when you purchase
car insurance online
through Swinton.**

www.goodyear.co.uk
@goodyear_uk | GoodyearUK
MADE TO FEEL GOOD.

EXHAUSTS*

Middle/Rear

Fiesta 1.25, 95-99

XFE 529

XFE 530 £70.40

Rover 25 1.1, 1.4, 98-00

XPR 212

XPR 253 £76.00

Micra 1.0, 92-95

XDN 360

XDN 361 £73.30

BRAKES*

Examples:

Corsa 1.0, 1.2, 93-00

PAD 702 £35.80

Clio 1.2, 1.4, 91-04

PAD 885 £34.00

Escort 1.4, 1.6, 95-98

PAD 1139 £38.80

BATTERIES

3 Year Warranty

from only

£42.87

(UK CGO)



Prices are
for single
tyres -
Multibuy
deals are
available -
Phone us
first!



All prices include VAT
balance, valve, fitting
and casing disposal

CELTIC TYRES

BRIDGEND**

Bridgend Industrial Estate

01656 657424

** Exhausts, Brakes and MOT's only available at our Bridgend store.

CARDIFF

Brindley Road, off Penarth Road

029 20 221201

www.celtictyres.co.uk

TYRES EXHAUSTS* BATTERIES BRAKES* SUSPENSION MOT* NITROGEN INFLATION

GOODYEAR

DUNLOP



Ysgol Iolo is 'proud' of ESTYN report



ABOVE: Year-4 pupils Tal Williams and Non Roberts with the chair of governors, Michael Burne, and headteacher, Dylan Evans.

ESTYN, Her Majesty's Inspectorate for Education and Training in Wales, has published its report on Ysgol Iolo Morganwg, saying that the Welsh language school has many strengths, including significant examples of sector-leading practice.

The report states that standards of most pupils' key skills are very good throughout, with a high percentage of pupils consistently achieving higher than the expected levels.

The pupils were praised for their courtesy, care and respect while staff were recognised for providing a rich range of learning experiences.

Senior managers at the school were recognised for providing excellent leadership and management. The school's governors take a leading role in setting priorities for improvement and are active in encouraging examples of excellence that raise standards.

The chair of governors, Michael Burne said: "This inspection report reflects the culmination of years of work by all of the staff at our school."

"We benefit from supportive parents and from playing a part in our local community in Cowbridge and beyond. After a very rigorous inspection, achieving this level of recognition is very pleasing indeed. "There is always

more to do and higher standards to seek, but we will pause to reflect on how far the school has come in recent years before we steel ourselves for the challenges ahead."

"The school benefits from a superb teaching team, enthusiastic pupils and supportive parents – indeed, our approach to teamwork, partnership and collaboration is referenced throughout."

"We've got a great school and we are very proud of what has been achieved."

Headteacher Dylan Evans added: "The school is at the heart of the community. We welcome and encourage the partnership between parents and the school."

"This has been recognised as an excellent feature and I am proud of this achievement."

"The benefits of Welsh medium education have been widely publicised and this report is a true reflection of its success. I would like to thank everybody for their hard work."

Ysgol Iolo Morganwg has 220 pupils on the roll with 73 per cent of pupils coming from Welsh-speaking homes.

The school was last inspected in April 2007, prior to Dylan Evans joining as headteacher in November 2007.

Pupils tackle school bullies



Jessica Pritchard and Bethan Klee.

TWO pupils at Holt Road Primary have been made ambassadors for an anti-bullying charity.

Year-5 pupils donated their earnings from their recent entrepreneur trade fayre to support Bullies Out.

Headteacher Andrew Gilbert said: "Two of our year-5 pupils were so inspired during the work-

shop conducted by Bullies Out, that they applied and were selected to become a young anti-bullying ambassadors."

"This programme was developed to encourage young people to speak out against bullying and to build awareness of Bullies Out."

"The school congratulates Jessica Pritchard and Bethan Klee on their successful appointment."

Penarth surgery

ELUNED PARROTT, AM for South Wales Central, will be holding an advice surgery on Friday, September 20 at Tesco Superstore, Terra Nova Way, Penarth, CF64 1SA between 1pm and 2pm. No appointment is necessary.

THE YEAR OF THE CONVOY'S ANNUAL SEAFARERS' SERVICE

THE annual Seafarers service will be held this Saturday, September 21.

This is our 16th service and it will again be held in the Memorial Hall, Barry at 11am. (The provisional date for next year's service is Saturday, September 20, 2014).

Reverend M Davies, honorary chaplain to the Merchant Navy Association (Wales) Barry branch, will officiate, and the Barry Ladies Choir will be present.

The service is open to all organisations and members of the public. It is especially

hoped that family members of serving and former members of the Merchant Navy, Royal Navy and the Royal Fleet Auxiliary will also attend.

A collection will be taken during the service towards the cost of the service and in aid of seafarers' charities.

In holding a 'Seafarers' service, we acknowledge the vital role played by the Royal Navy and the Royal Air Force in convoy duties, also all those who follow the calling of the sea, deep sea fishermen, the life boat service etc.

The presence of branch standards will be

greatly appreciated at the service. The order of parade will be: Merchant Navy Associations, Royal Navy, Royal Air Force, Royal British Legion and all other standards.

A branch wreath will be laid prior to the service at the Merchant Navy Monument at 10.20am with a blessing. All other organisations are welcome to lay wreaths at this event. After the main service, the Barry Ladies and Men's choirs and the RAF St Athan Voluntary Band will provide entertainment for an hour or so.

JT GREENWAY, chairman

What kind of dog will choose you?



We've got small ones, tall ones, cheeky ones and squeaky ones,



sporty ones, haughty ones, fluffy ones and scruffy ones.



If you're looking for a lovely dog come to Dogs Trust Bridgend.

- We've got lots of happy, healthy dogs
- They've been neutered and micro-chipped
- They're vaccinated and given a complete health-check
- We'll give your dog four weeks' free insurance
- You'll get free advice throughout your dog's life

To see all our dogs, visit our website, dogstrust.org.uk

You can trust a dog from



Tale of the master clock-craftsman of Llancarfan...

A NEW book celebrates the life and work of a famous local craftsman, Henry Williams (1727-1790), arguably the best clockmaker who ever worked in Wales.

Born in Gloucester, probably of Welsh parents, young Henry Williams served his seven-year clock-making apprenticeship with the Washbourne family in that city.

In 1752, he came to the Vale, married a local girl, and settled in Llancarfan where he became a famous clockmaker and also a successful farmer.

In his little workshop in Llancarfan, Henry

Williams made quality clocks for the top end of the local market. As well as Vale farmers and ship-owners, his customers included the local aristocracy - Robert Jones of Fommon Castle, the Morgans of Tredegar Park, the Butes of Cardiff Castle, and Wyndhams of Dunraven.

During his working life in Llancarfan, Henry Williams made hundreds of fine clocks, with beautifully engraved brass dials, housed in handsome cases of oak, walnut and mahogany.

He specialised in 'tidal-dial' clocks showing the time of local high water. He also made silver pocket watches. All his clocks and watches were signed with the

name 'Henry Williams, Llancarfan'.

In addition to making quality clocks and watches, Henry Williams was a successful farmer. He won prizes from the Glamorganshire Agricultural Society. In 1783, he won 10 guineas for the best crop of turnips, and also first prize for the best boar.

After his death in 1790, Williams was followed by a succession of other clockmakers at Llancarfan, including his two grandsons. None of his successors ever produced clocks of comparable quality.

Many clocks and watches made by Henry Williams still survive, some in museums, but most are privately owned; some even by descendants of the first customers! Over 40 have now been traced, recorded and beautifully illustrated in colour.

The book **Henry Williams, Llancarfan**, is the fruit of more than a decade of research by two local experts, Dr Ed Cloutman and Dr Bill Linnard. Published by BLURB, it contains 214 pages and over 200 photos, nearly all in colour. The book can be pre-viewed and ordered from <http://www.blurb.com/h/4556772-henry-williams-llancarfan>.

U3A hears story of Welsh orchestra

SULLY U3A's guest speaker for September was David Hopkins from the BBC National Orchestra of Wales.

David, a trombone player, now works in the office and he gave a history of the orchestra and played extracts from his favourite music and tasters from the orchestra's forthcoming programme.

David said there was no orchestra in Wales until the 1920s, when the Welsh Orchestra was formed with around 20 or 30 musicians. The orchestra was disbanded during World War Two and then formed again with around 40 musicians.

The orchestra's name was changed in 1993 and it now consists of about 80 full-time musicians.

Other musicians can be called upon should it need to be increased for any performance. It is orchestra-in-residence at St David's Hall, Cardiff, and also performs a season of concerts in Swansea.

In addition, the orchestra tours towns and cities across Wales throughout the year, per-

forms annually at the BBC Proms in London, at BBC Cardiff Singer of the World, and tours internationally.

The orchestra's home is BBC Hoddinott Hall in the Wales Millennium Centre in Cardiff Bay. As well as recording studio sessions and concerts for BBC Radio 3, it provides the music for programmes such as Doctor Who and the Human Planet series.

Running parallel to the main season, the work of the orchestra's education and community outreach team is integral to its musical life.

In recent years, this work has included a DVD resource pack distributed to every primary and special school in Wales; and the development of a new concert format designed for audiences of adults and children with learning difficulties or who are deaf and hard of hearing.

The next monthly general meeting will be at 2pm on October 10, in The Old School, Sully, when Tim Wright will be giving members a journey through the beehive. New members are always welcome.

SC

Family effort raises £20,000 for hospice



Auriol hands over the cheques to Marie Curie fundraising managers.

AURIOL Drummond-Hay, a 16-year-old schoolgirl, raised over £3,000 for the Marie Curie hospice in Penarth by cycling from Land's End to John O'Groats.

She was knocked off her bike by a car on day seven of her ride, but in spite of severe bruising, she bravely carried on to reach John O'Groats. She is pictured handing over cheques to the fundraising managers of the Marie Curie home.

Auriol is the granddaughter of John Roberts, of Cowbridge, who now chairs the newly set-up Marie Curie fundraising group for Cowbridge and the Vale.

In spite of his age (77), he took part in a sponsored trek to the bottom of the Grand Canyon and raised over £15,000 for Marie Curie.

John is (right) pictured at the Grand Canyon.



Registered Clinical Dental Technicians

Express Denture Clinic

Denture Experts

Implant Retained Dentures

New Dentures - 5 day Service Available

Free Initial Consultation and Advice

Emergency Denture Repairs

in 1 Hour

New Flexible Dentures and

Chrome Plates

Home Visits Available

Eat, Smile & Talk

with confidence

Telephone - Cardiff: 029 20623222

Talbot Green: 01443 222509

Andrews Denture Clinic, 89 Whitchurch Road, Cardiff, CF14 3JP

Threeways Dental Laboratory, Talbot Square, Talbot Green, CF72 8AB

The First Step to a Better Smile



OPEN DOORS AT LLANTWIT MAJOR DRYSAU AGORED YN LLANILLTUD FAWR

22 September

22 Medi

Don't miss the chance to explore behind the scenes at some of the Vale of Glamorgan's most important historic buildings.

On 22 September three of Llantwit Major's architectural gems will be open to public under the Civic Trust Open Doors programme.

Bachwch ar y cyfle hwn i gael cip y tu ôl i lenni rhai o adeiladau hanesyddol pwysigaf y Fro.

Ar 22 Medi, bydd tri o drysorau pensaernïol Llanilltud Fawr yn agor eu drysau i'r cyhoedd fel rhan o raglen Drysau Agored yr Ymddiriedolaeth Ddinesig.

See restoration in action at the **Old Place**, Castle Street, where owner and stonemason Antae Jones is restoring the former Tudor manor house. Guided tours will be offered at 11.00am, 1.00pm and 3.00pm. Places are limited and must be booked in advance on 01446 704799 / 704828.

Elsewhere in Llantwit there is a rare opportunity to explore the whole of the medieval **Town Hall building** as well as the Heritage Room. Test your local knowledge while there by taking part in a treasure hunt.

Finally, relax with a cup of tea in **St Illtud's Church**, established around 500AD, and be amazed by the treasures within. The Galilee Chapel, at the western end of the church, is currently being restored as an exhibition space for the church's extensive collection of early Christian stone monuments.

The Town Hall and the Church will be open between 12 noon and 4pm

Dewch i wylwio proses atgyweirio ar waith yn yr **Henblas**. Stryd y Castell, wrth i'r perchennog a'r saer maen Antae Jones fwrw ymlaen â'i waith o adnewyddu'r hen faenordy Tuduraidd hwnnw. Bydd teithiau tywys am 11.00am, 1.00pm a 3.00pm, ac am na fydd llawer o le ar gael, bydd yn rhaid i chi gofrestru ymlaen llaw drwy ffonio 01446 704799 / 704828.

Mewn rhan arall o Lanilltud Fawr, bydd cyfle prin i chi weld adeilad canoloesol **Neuadd y Dref** yn ei gyfanrwydd yn ogystal â'r Ystafell Dreftadaeth, a rhoi prawf hefyd ar eich gwybodaeth leol drwy gymryd rhan mewn helfa drysor.

Yna, cewch ymlacio o'r diwedd gyda chwpaned o de yn Eglwys Illtud Sant, a rhyfeddu wrth drysorau adeilad sy'n dyddio mor bell yn ôl â 500 Oed Crist. Mae Capel Galilea ym mhen gorllewinol yr eglwys yn cael ei adnewyddu ar hyn o bryd er mwyn arddangos casgliad helaeth o gofodau cerig o'r Cynnod Cristnogol. Bydd **Neuadd y Dref** a'r Eglwys ar agor rhwng canol dydd a 4.00pm.



Further information on the many open buildings and activities on offer throughout September in the Vale of Glamorgan under the Open Doors programme can be found at www.civictrustwales.org

Am fwy o wybodaeth am yr holl adeiladau agored a gweithgareddau sydd i'w profi yn y Fro ym mis Medi fel rhan o raglen Drysau Agored, ewch i www.civictrustwales.org



BARRY *Comprehensive* SCHOOL



The students are leaders in their local and school community



An interesting approach to encouraging literacy and a memorable experience for year 6 boys. All students enjoyed a "day to night" festival of literature.



At Barry Comprehensive School we all work together to raise standards for our children

Head Teacher
Gerard McNamara
and his staff invite you to
the annual

OPEN EVENING

**Thursday
26 September
2013 from 5pm – 7pm**

Our motto of "Opportunity to Succeed" is clearly evident in so many different ways.

Academic success and the continuous raising of standards is at the forefront of the school's development. A Level and GCSE success at the highest level was evident again this year. We provide a broad well balanced GCSE curriculum, in which all students succeed. Mixed provision at sixth form and selected classes at KS4 leads to significant choice for our learners.

Support for students to achieve their full potential is in place from the first day they arrive at school – in many cases a great deal of preparation will have gone on before your child arrives - and the opportunities available outside the classroom are numerous.

The school's International School Award from the British Council, and recent visits to Ghana and Sri Lanka, reflects how strong our links are globally and we are also proud to be an integral part of the local community. Every learner who joins us should aspire to involve himself in all aspects of school life as the opportunities for students are wide and varied.

Please take some time to look at our website at www.barrycomp.com, but nothing beats a visit, so please join us on the 26th September. We are also happy for you to make an appointment to come and meet us.



Estyn inspectors confirmed what we already knew: Barry Comprehensive is a Very Good School



Olympic Ambassador Nicole Cooke enjoyed her visit to Barry Comprehensive School



We raise the bar at Barry Comprehensive School



Telephone: 01446 411411

Download the prospectus and keep up to date with BCS news by visiting **www.barrycomp.com**



Lions and captains' celebration evening held at Cottrell Park



ABOVE: Richard Dixon, Cardiff Blues' coach, Phil Davies and British Lions coach, Warren Gatland.

HUNDREDS of guests gathered at Cottrell Park Golf Resort last Thursday, September 12, as Cardiff Blues held a prestigious Lions & Captains' celebratory dinner.

The black tie dinner celebrated the British & Irish Lions' Test series triumph in Australia, and also the fact that Blues provided the captains for the Lions, Wales, Wales under-20s and Wales sevens teams this summer.

Compering the evening were Phil Steele and Tom Shanklin and guests enjoyed two Q&A sessions during the night with the stars from Cardiff Arms Park.

The special event also saw the best in fine dining with three great chefs for the event – chef Anand George, from the Purple Poppadom, created a trio of starters, 'Spiros Fine Dining

Caterers' prepared the main course, and Massimo Zuccheri Pâtisserie the desserts.

Richard Holland, chief executive at Cardiff Blues, said: "In total we had 24 players playing international rugby this summer and were proud to provide the captains to the Lions (Sam Warburton), Wales (Bradley Davies), Wales under-20s (Ellis Jenkins) and Wales sevens (Adam Thomas).

"The highlight of a superb summer of sport was the performance of the British & Irish Lions. We were thrilled for Sam Warburton, Leigh Halfpenny, Alex Cuthbert and Gethin Jenkins as they went down in history by securing a first Test series victory in 16 years.

"The dinner, in the wonderful setting of Cottrell Park Golf Resort, was a fantastic success and a fitting occasion for us to celebrate all of our players' successes," he added.



ABOVE: Chefs Anand George, Spiro Borg and Massimo Bishop-Scotti with Cardiff Blues, Wales and British Lions' captain, Sam Warburton, and Cardiff Blues, Wales and British Lions' player, Leigh Halfpenny.



Chairman of the Welsh Rugby Union, David Pickering, and Justine Pickering.

Volunteers needed for online photo collection

VALE libraries are searching for volunteers to help create an online collection of old photographs of Barry and the surrounding area.

In collaboration with People's Collection Wales, libraries across the Vale are bringing out their stored collection of photographs from the last two centuries and putting them online for all to see.

Volunteers are needed to help scan and catalogue the photographs.

A library spokesperson said: "If you have good IT skills, are organised and pay meticulous attention to detail, please visit the Vale Volunteer Bureau at 34 Holton Road, Barr or, call the team on 01446 421782k".

Ladies choir back in rehearsal

BARRY Ladies Choir has reconvened – after a well-deserved summer break.

A busy schedule throughout June and July saw the ladies hold a successful coffee morning to raise funds for Evie, two afternoon concerts, and a successful concert in conjunction with Barry Choral Society, to raise funds for Crossways Methodist Church.

The choir is back in rehearsal to prepare for the Seafarers' Service at Barry

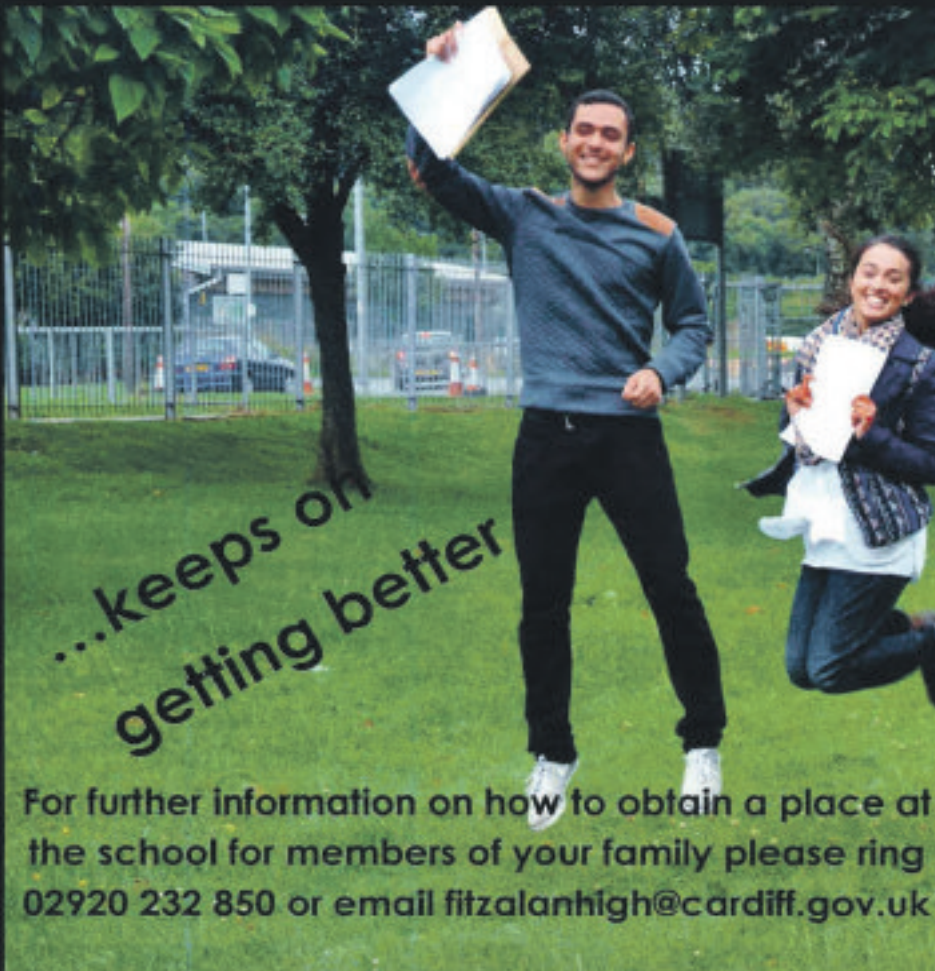
Memorial Hall on Saturday, September 21, to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the Atlantic Convoys.

A week later, the choir will welcome Kate Woolveridge, ITV Woman of the Year 2012 and WNO mezzo-soprano, to run a workshop to help the choir with their performance technique.

New members are always welcome – contact choir secretary Chris Williams on 01446 701022 for more information.



Fitzalan High School



...keeps on getting better

For further information on how to obtain a place at the school for members of your family please ring 02920 232 850 or email fitzalanhigh@cardiff.gov.uk

Come along to our Open Evening

**Thursday 26th
September 2013**

From 4pm to 6.30pm

pupil participation

tour of the school

visit subject zones

refreshments

meet staff and pupils

Discover why Fitzalan pupils achieved such high results and find out how you can be a part of it.

Lawrenny Avenue CF118XB

Vale drilling protest group plans Cardiff demonstration

ANTI-FRACKING campaigners in the Vale are to join a national protest in Cardiff Bay.

The Vale Says No, along with other groups against unconventional gas drilling from Wales and the UK are planning a peaceful demonstration at the Senedd on September 24, at 12pm.

The demonstration has been spearheaded by the national campaign group, Frack-Free Wales, and will have a range of speakers.

Michaela Richter, of The Vale Says No, said: "We want to give a clear message to the politicians that people in Wales are not willing to

by **PHILIP IRWIN**

support an industry that we believe has a proven track record of damaging human health, the environment and massively disrupting communities."

The demonstration comes at a time when politicians in Wales are facing mounting pressure from both camps.

The industry has successfully lobbied UK government to offer incentives to drilling companies, while protesters are talking about more action, after the high-profile opposition at Balcombe, West Sussex.

Rob McGhee, of The

Vale Says No, said: "We feel strongly that our Government should be focusing on solutions that bring jobs and money to Wales, but not at the cost of its people and this beautiful land."

"We need solutions that will provide energy for current and future generations... Solutions that are sustainable and not finite."

"We want our Government to say No to unconventional gas exploration, such as Fracking, and Yes to renewable energy!"

For further details regarding this and other planned events see www.frackfreewales.org or www.frack-off.org.uk

BUSY DAYS FOR WICK PENSIONERS

WICK and District Pensioners Club has been kept busy with an exciting programme of events and activities.

There have been speakers on Everyone's Future, Greenlinks, Farming, Life in the WRENS, Alzheimers Society, two special birthday parties, coach trips to Carmarthen, Abergavenny Market, Bourton-on-the-Water, Bath and other interesting places including lunch and a boat trip with the Countess of

Evesham.

Christmas lunch has been booked; Wick Youth Club are educating the club on the mysteries of the internet, and the autumn fair will be held on Saturday, October 26, in Wick village hall from 2pm.

The club meets on alternate Wednesdays, from 2pm-4pm in the Sports Pavilion, Wick.

For more information, contact 01656 890386. New members are always welcome.

GJ

Author's first novel is set in Bridgend

A BIRMINGHAM author who was brought up in Wick, Chris Westlake, has published his first novel, *Just a Bit of Banter, Like*, set in Bridgend and surrounding area.

He describes it as a "dark, gritty coming-of-age comedy that views the world through Nick Evans, a 20-something city slicker who returns home to rebuild his life after things go disastrously wrong in London."

The book is available at Nickleby's Bookstore in Llantwit Major, Cowbridge Bookshop, and Windsor Bookshop in Penarth, as well as Amazon.

"I was brought up in Wick, where my family still live, and although I now live in Birmingham (due to marriage) my writing always has a Welsh setting or theme, as I am proud of where I come from," he told The GEM.



Chris Westlake's first novel, *Just a Bit of Banter, Like*, has recently been published.

NEWS /IN BRIEF

US blues

BARRY welcomes back American blues musician Del Rey this Saturday (September 21) at the West End Club. Tickets £10 on the door or call Mike on 07561 143114.

Fashion show

Action Medical Research will present a fashion show by Samantha B Fashions, Ewenny, in the Millennium Hall, Park Road, Barry, on Thursday, September 26, at 2.30pm-4.30pm.

Tickets £5, or pay on the door (price includes tea and cake).

Concert date

INTERNATIONAL opera singer, Adriano Graziani, who is based in Llantwit Major, returns home to Wales to appear in the 'Italian & Welsh Treasures' concert, on Friday, September 27, at 7pm in All Saints Church, Oystermouth, Swansea.

Medieval air

THE 'Knights of Honour' arrive at

Cosmeston Medieval

Village for a free event on September 28-29, when visitors will have the chance to see how a company of William De Caversham's medieval knights prepared for war!

At 12pm and 3pm on both days, they will don full armour as they prepare to wow the crowds with their combat shows.

Medieval music will be provided by the Contraband quartet in the Tithe Barn, and medieval village tours will also be running throughout the weekend at 12pm, 1.30pm and 3pm, at a cost of £2.50 per person.

PACT meetings

BARUC PACT, Barry Island Community Centre, Friars Road, Barry, September 30, at 6.30pm.

WENVOE Coffee & Chat meeting will be held at The September 30 at 11am.

ILLTYD PACT, Mount Sorrel Hotel, Porthkerry Road, Barry, October 3 at 7pm.

DYFAN PACT, North Walk Community Centre, North Walk, Barry, October 6, at 7pm.

COURT PACT at YMCA HUB, Court Road, Barry, October 10 between 10am and 12 noon.

STANWELL PACT, Elfed Avenue United Church, Penarth, October 11 at 7pm.

Church open day proves to be popular

A CHURCH open day was held on September 14, when groups of walkers, who started from Bonvilston after breakfast at the Red Lion – cyclists, runners and horse riders – visited various churches and chapels in the east Vale of Glamorgan.

Highlights of the day included abseiling at Welsh St Donats church tower by priests Martyn Davies (first), and Edwin Counsell (second), fol-

lowed by MP Alun Cairns.

This was augmented by a choral recital and hand bell ringing at St Peters, a guide around the bell tower at St Cadocs, and cuddly toy parachuting at Welsh St Donats and Pendoylan.

In addition, there were many opportunities to see parish records, documents, and view the medieval buildings.

The visitors were sustained by refreshments provided at a number of the venues on a highly-successful and well-attended open day.

Group praised

CARDIFF and Vale Age Concern 'out-reach' group at Ewenny Village Hall has welcomed people from across the western Vale, including Ogmere-by-Sea and Southerndown and volunteers.

The group was addressed by the Vale AM, Jane Hutt, at their coffee morning, who said: "I welcome the work of Cardiff and Vale Age Concern and their volunteers in setting up groups in the rural Vale with great success, such as the group which meets in Ewenny."

Harvest Festival

NFU Cymru is inviting the public to this year's Glamorgan Harvest Festival on Thursday, October 3, at 7.30pm in Margam Abbey.

Ysgol Brynteg School

A ro penn bid pont



The whole transition process has been outstanding – I can't wait for my son to start! Year 6 Parent

Headteacher David Jenkins and his staff invite you to

Brynteg School Year 5&6 Open Evening

Thursday 26th September 2013

Introductory Headteacher talks and tours at 4.30 pm or 5.30pm for Y6 pupils and parents/carers in Lower School Hall. Talks and tours for Y5 pupils and parents/carers at 5.00 pm or 6.00 pm in Upper School Hall

Excellent Pastoral Care and Support

- Dedicated and experienced Transition Team to support pupils during their move to Brynteg.
- The only local school to have a specialised Cluster Learning Support Officer working with pupils during transition.
- Pastoral Support judged as outstanding in most recent ESTYN inspection.
- Whole-school mentoring programme, providing your children with guidance and encouragement to maximise their potential in an inclusive environment.

Outstanding Academic Performance

- A strong tradition of high academic excellence in external examinations
- 98% of students achieved 2 A levels or more.
- Over 85% of 6th form students achieved first choice university.
- 80% of GCSE pupils achieved 5 or more A* - Cs
- 65% of GCSE pupils achieved 5 or more A* - Cs including English and Maths

Something for Everyone

- A long tradition of musical, sporting and cultural excellence
- A huge range of extra-curricular activities
- Extensive charity works, world-wide educational visits and international links



Brynteg School
Ewenny Road
Bridgend.
CF31 3ER
Tel: 01656 641800
info@bryntegschool.co.uk
www.bryntegschool.co.uk

Out and About with The GEM

Music school breaks new ground

THE Vale School of Music based in Sully Road, Penarth, is a new and dynamic music school, which delivers affordable results for all musical abilities.

Whether your children are beginners or advanced musicians, the Vale School of Music's novel, fun and sector-leading lessons will help progress your child in music.

At the Vale School of Music, the pupils perform, create and develop an understanding of music in a fun, dynamic environment where they can explore the realms of their talent.

The Vale School of Music has found through research that group workshops are more

effective for beginners in music, facilitating rapid progress for your child, as well as being excellent value for money.

The pupils gain confidence as they make new friends and an enthusiasm in their performance, and therefore progress more quickly towards reaching their full potential.

As your child progresses, one-to-one lessons are available and this leads to the ultimate musical achievement on their musical journey.

If you would like a FREE taster session for your child, then please book on the website: www.valeschoolofmusic.co.uk - or alternatively contact us on 02920 754560 or 07922 098277. (Please leave a message on our answerphone and we will get back to you)

Vale AM's surgery

THE Vale AM, Jane Hutt, will be holding a surgery this Friday, September 20 at Llantwit Major Old School, Wine Street, Llantwit Major, from 4pm-5pm.

Art workshop
VALEPLUS, the local charity that provides lifelong learning and leisure opportunities for people with a learning disability, will be holding a painting and drawing workshop at its base in High Street, Barry, this Saturday, September 21.

All are welcome to attend the session, which is affiliated to the WEA and runs from 10am until 2.30pm. Cost is £12 and booking is essential. Telephone 01446 746691 to ensure you have a place.

Organ appeal

Ruth Brown of Loose Boots will be holding the final fundraising event of the All Saints Organ Appeal, for £70,000 towards crucial organ repairs, on September 21 at 7.30pm in All Saints Church in Wales Primary School, Barry.

Tickets are £5, which can be purchased on the door, or by contacting Anita Hop on 01446 404616.

Family service

ALL Saints Church in Victoria Square, Penarth, is holding a family service on Sunday, September 22 at 10am.

Worship items suitable for all ages centred on the story of the Prodigal Son. Creche facilities available; all welcome.

Beach clean

FRIENDS of Barry Beaches will be holding its next beach clean on September 22, meeting at 3pm on Porthkerry beach, Barry. All volunteers will be welcome to spend an hour helping to clean the beach.

Harvest service

PRINCES Street, Evangelical Church in Barry is having a harvest service on September 22 at 11am.

All are welcome to come and meet the new ministry team.

The church is starting a friends and heroes children's church on the day.

Cake and a cup of tea or coffee will be served after the service.

Society AGM
BARRY and District Chrysanthemum Society's AGM is on

September 24 at 5pm.

It will be held at Salem Baptist Church hall, Beryl Road, Barry. **NFU speaker**
REGIONAL AM Andrew RT Davies will be the guest speaker at the Glamorgan NFU Cymru county meeting on September 25 at 10am at Pancross Farm, Llancafarn (by permission of the Thomas family).

Mr Davies joined the Welsh Conservatives in 1997. In 2007, he was elected to the National Assembly on the regional list for south Wales central, and was re-elected again in 2011.

He became leader of the Conservative group at the Assembly in 2011.

Valeways walks

ON September 26 at 10.30am, the coffee shop strollers meet at Rhose railway station car park.

On September 27 at 10am, it's 'over the hills and far away to a palace' (two hours); meeting at the Victoria Inn, Siginstone.

On September 29 at 2.30pm, 'Foremost Fawr', meeting at Castell Coch, Tongwynlais.

Macmillan coffee

A MACMILLAN coffee morning will be held in the Learning Resource Centre at Barry Comprehensive School on September 27 at 9.45am.

Dinas Powys jumble sale

1ST Dinas Powys Scout Group jumble sale takes place on September 28 at 1.30pm in the Scout hall, Highwalls Road, Dinas Powys. Admission 50p.

Harvest festival

THE church of St Lawrence at Fort

Road, Lavernock, will be holding a harvest thanksgiving service on Sunday, September 29 at 3pm.

The organist will be Anne Thomas and the service will be led by Rev Margaret Stark. Enquiries to 02920 701303.

Forum open day

VALE 50+ Strategy Forum is inviting all local residents celebrate UK Older People's Day with a special event, Wellbeing Fun Day at Llantwit Major Rugby Club, Llantwit Major, on October 1, from 10am-3pm.

The Forum has brought together a wide range of information stands and activities.

Charity walk TOUCHED by Cancer is a charity, formed in 2010 to raise money for local groups and organisations who support cancer sufferers and their families.

Since 2010, over £25,000 has been raised by local people and distributed between The Sandville, LATCH, Velindre Hospital, and Macmillan Cancer Care.

On October 26, the fourth annual Hallowe'en sponsored walk takes place at Kenfig Nature Reserve (fancy dress optional). Registration opens at 12 noon, and the walk starts at 2pm.

The walkers will follow a circular route of approximately three miles over fairly level terrain. Fundraising stalls, a hog roast and barbecue, charity auction and music.

There is also the opportunity to light a candle in memory of a loved one as twilight falls.

Items for the charity auction or raffle prizes gratefully received by the trustees. Contact Coun Megan Butcher, 01656 740451; The Community Hub, Heol Llan, North Comely. CF33 4DP, on 01656 670812, or email: a.morgan@caddt.org.

Welsh Hearts' autumn fayre
WELSH Hearts' autumn fayre takes place on Saturday, November 2 at the town hall in Cowbridge.

Interesting craft stalls include a Christmas stall with cards and gifts, home-made cakes, and plants. Free admission.

The market runs from 10am to 4pm. For more information, contact the fundraising office on 01633 681788.

Fashion show for children's charities...

THE Little Shop of Calm is holding a fashion show on Friday, September 27, at 7.30pm.

All proceeds, and 10 per cent of sales on the night, will be split between two worthy charities, Touch Trust (www.touchtrust.co.uk) and Rebounders (www.rebounders-tramp.co.uk).

Both charities provide much-needed services for children and adults with learning and/or physical disabilities.

The show will be held in the stunning Minstrel Room above the shop and will highlight the new autumn collection of Fairtrade clothes and accessories in stock.

The show is supported by 'Free to Explore Beauty' and 'Missy Moos'.

Tickets (£10, including refreshments and raffle entry), are available from the Little Shop of Calm, at 1 Westgate, Cowbridge, CF71 7AQ.

Telephone 01446 771166 for information. (Any raffle donations will be gratefully received).

CAR BOOT EVERY SUNDAY at BARRY ISLAND PLEASURE PARK

Open at 8am for traders;
9am Public, 'til 4pm

£5 CARS

Sunday Carvery at The Dolphin

Adults 2 Courses £7.50
Children 2 Courses £4.50



Tel 07967 708352 for further details

www.thedolphinbarryisland.co.uk

MAESTEG ANIMAL WELFARE SOCIETY



Kittens, young and older cats - All needing a new family!

All cats have been neutered & microchipped

All our work is funded by Charity Shops. We sell bric-a-brac, books, clothes and small items of furniture. Donations always welcome and now you can text maws 11 to 70070

Tel: 01656 721496 or 01656 769855
www.maesteganimalrescue.co.uk

Thanking everyone for their continued support



Albertin Rd, Cowbridge, CF71 7DH
Tel 01446 772311
cowbridge@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk

We think our School is fabulous
But don't just take our word for it
Visit us at our Open Evening

Cowbridge Comprehensive School Ysgol Gyfun Y Bont Faen Open Evening

For prospective pupils

...Take a closer look

Thursday 3 October
4.00-6.30 pm

Outstanding 'state of the art' facilities

Exceptional standards of achievement

Harmonious, calm and caring environment



The Little Shop of Calm Charity Fashion Show

Friday 27th September at 7.30pm

TICKETS £10

to include raffle and refreshments

Available from the shop at
1 Westgate, Cowbridge, CF71 7AQ.
Tel: 01446 771166

OCEAN LOUNGE PORKHERRY

WE ARE NOW OPEN:
FRIDAY & SATURDAY NIGHTS
ALL DAY & EVENING ON SUNDAYS

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT plus Bingo

KARAOKE EVERY FRIDAY

Saturday 21st September ALIZE ADELLE
Female Vocalist

Saturday 28th September GENE PITNEY TRIBUTE ACT
Plus Caravan Owners Night

Saturday 5th October SAMANTHA ADAMS
Fab Female Vocalist

Saturday 12th October ONESIE NIGHT/ PYJAMA PARTY
with Bledwyn Edwards
Superb male vocalist

Traditional SUNDAY ROAST
Only £7.95

CAR BOOT SALE
EVERY SUNDAY from 2pm
To find us - click directions@
www.firejoust.com

Tel. 01446 710362/711538

Ron Howard brings Rush of excitement to cinema screens!

Asport, it can be argued, is only as good as the rivalries it produces, the constant one-upmanship of the protagonists often elevating the particular sport to new heights of skill and accomplishment.

One such rivalry is depicted in Ron Howard's new film, *Rush*, which sees the relationship between James Hunt (Chris Hemsworth) and Nikki Lauda (Daniel Bruhl) examined, as they face off against each other before their rivalry comes to a head in the 1976 Formula 1 drivers' championship. With the championship at stake, their feud becomes more personal and intense with every race...

Ron Howard has shown an unerring ability to produce strong films regardless of genre, something that makes him underrated in the pantheon of directors. While his last two films (the underbaked *Angels & Demons* and the shonky *The Dilemma*) perhaps didn't show the director in the best light, *Rush* is a film

that shares many of the characteristics of his last great film, *Frost/Nixon* – two strong willed individuals, each doing what they believe to be right, constantly trying up the ante on the other and knowing that whoever lost the battle would lose the war.

Much like that film, *Rush* is piece of work that deserves as much praise as can be heaped upon it. Howard creating a goosebump-inducing film that will have equal appeal to F1 fans as it will to those who can't tell their McLaren from their Ferrari.

It is a film that wears its debt to *Asif Kapadia's Senna* on its sleeve, its documentary-like realism a perfect counterbalance to Kapadia's use of real-life footage, and Howard's direction strikes this perfectly, the camera unobtrusive during the acting scenes creating that 'in-the-room' feel, but in amongst it when the action switches to the racetrack.

These sequences, thrilling shot by cinematographer Anthony Dod Mantle (whose visual composition gives the film its distinctive, almost vintage look), are perhaps the most



by GARETH JAMIESON
Follow Screen
Talk on Twitter –
@GEMScreenTalk

thrilling committed to film, the use of sound and close-ups putting you into the car more than even 3D can manage, and it's hard not to bite your nails (especially if you know little of how the story unfolds) during these sequences.

Of course stunning visuals would be nothing without a good script, and Peter Morgan (who scripted *Frost/Nixon*) mines the tale of Hunt and Lauda's rivalry with aplomb. While on the surface poles apart, Hunt a playboy without (seemingly) a care in the world, Lauda the epitome of single-mindedness and drive, Morgan's screenplay delves into the characters to make them two sides of the same coin, each secretly wanting what the other has but too proud and strong-minded to ever consciously acknowledge it.

If a climactic scene feels a little too forced, spelling out their traits and why they could only ever manage a grudging respect, it's the only real misstep Morgan makes

in a rich and enveloping screenplay.

The performances aren't too shabby either, Hemsworth bringing plenty of joie de vivre and casual cool to the role of Hunt, but also conveying the doubts and fragility beneath the showmanship, while the underrated Bruhl (check out 2003's *Good Bye Lenin!* for another wonderful performance) captures Lauda's cold, calculated personality while again showing what lies beneath.

There is a fine supporting cast, Olivia Wilde and Alexandra Maria Lara delivering solid performances, but this is a film that rests squarely on the central performances – and they are superb.

In a year that has seen Hollywood vehicles tend to crash at the first turn, *Rush* is a prime example of talented filmmakers creating something superb – while it may be speculative, it's fair to say that there will be few better films than *Rush* released this year.

VERDICT – A thrilling portrayal of sporting rivalry that works as both high-octane spectacle and a dramatic two-hander, *Rush* is a truly excellent piece of filmmaking. With Ron Howard's direction being complemented by Anthony Dod Mantle's cinematography, and two wonderful turns at its centre, this is a top-class piece of work. **Essential viewing.**
SEE THIS IF YOU LIKED: *Senna* (2010), *Frost/Nixon* (2008)

The GEM is in partnership with the Dogs Trust to find caring homes for animals in their charge at Bridgend Rehoming Centre (Telephone 01656 725219)

Playful Tess is hoping for loving home

TESS is a two-year-old terrier, and a sweet young girl, perfect for any terrier fans out there...

She is active and enjoys plenty of exercise. She really enjoys the company of other dogs, care is needed when meeting other dogs for the first time but when they have made friends, she is a playful girl.

Her new owners will need to make sure they keep up with these regular meetings and socialisation.

She would really enjoy a rural home with a group of other, well-adjusted dogs, but in a suburban area with less

space, she would probably prefer to be the only dog in the home.

She is already house-trained, fine to be left alone for a few hours, and good in the car.

Tess has some issues to work through, but is really worth the effort!

If you would like to offer Tess a home, please call us on 01656 725219, or pop in to Dogs Trust Bridgend, 12pm – 4pm every day except Monday, and till 7.30pm on Wednesdays.

You can also see Tess and some of her friends at www.dogstrust.org.uk

LINDA FEAGAN
Supporter Relations
Officer,
Dogs Trust Bridgend

'Autumn Sounds'

'A U T U M N SOUNDS', the local entertainment group, will be starting rehearsals for their new season, following last year's success, which finished on a high at the Wales Millennium Centre.

We are now looking for new members (especially men) over 50 to join us in the second year of our journey which is comprised of laughter, fun and a modicum of hard work.

We meet on a Tuesday

at 12 noon in St Illtyd's Youth Centre, Llantwit Major.

No auditions required. The ability to read music is an advantage but not compulsory.

The only qualification needed is enthusiasm and a willingness to embrace new challenges.

Autumn Sounds started back officially on September 17.

For more details, ring Marianne on 01446 793786 (answer phone available). MH

Ty Hafan lottery draw winners

THE following are winning numbers in the Ty Hafan Crackerjackpot lottery draw number D792.

● £2,000: 163968.
● The rollover, which now stands at £6,500, was not won this week.

● £10: 3 0 8 6 6 4 , 271225, 438084, 117219, 970731, 427949, 281097, 277951, 435807, 107879, 653279, 628790, 109196, 705746, 736096, 522845, 492727, 310051, 165924, 229993.

● £5: 264564, 559935, 778095, 229154, 458234, 855776, 275751, 177480, 459642, 167958, 355935, 369506, 601439,

862518, 499347, 454698, 445172, 656772, 593895, 833836, 424769, 695945, 945567, 906477, 753659, 164982, 428561, 911433, 619899, 527160, 629383, 112153, 287587, 384795, 767347, 402449, 203005, 588653, 697947, 451724, 614520, 959233, 886896, 844455, 455625, 391276, 507624, 109649, 510002, 353886, 331074, 574041, 881523, 563680, 311539, 320912, 171363, 509780, 307976.

The GEM cannot be held responsible for any errors or omissions contained in the above.

For lottery information please telephone 029 2053 2300.

Wales' Alternative Food Festival
Gŵyl Fwyd Gwahannol Cymru

feastival

Cook It
Coginio

Taste It
Blasu

Lob It
Taflu

27-28

SEPT / MEDI
2013

Expect the
unexpected.
Dylech Ddisgwyl
yr Annisgwyl.

01656 786639

Bridgend Town Centre / Canol Dref Pen-y-Bont

www.bridgendfeastival.co.uk



This is what happened last year!
Dyma beth ddigwyddodd y llynedd!





ST RICHARD GWYN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

The only faith secondary school in the Vale
Applications will be considered from families of a non-Catholic background in accordance with our admission criteria.

If you would like for your child...

- high academic expectations and achievement for all
 - opportunities to thrive in and outside the classroom
 - first-class teaching from specialist and committed staff
 - excellent facilities in a safe and pleasant environment
- then you are warmly invited to our...*

OPEN EVENING

on Monday 30th September 2013
from 6.30 pm - 8.30 pm

Executive Headteacher, Mr Mike Clinch, will address prospective parents at the start of the evening in the school hall



In the school survey parents said... "how happy and confident their children had been since starting at St Richard Gwyn."

St Richard Gwyn Catholic High School is ranked Band 1 and is the highest rated English medium school in Wales!



Year 7 PGL activity trip September 2013



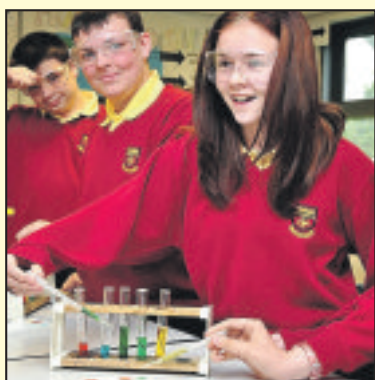
Watersports Trip Summer 2013.



Sports at our new all weather pitch.

ABOVE:

An excellent Creative Arts department which produces innovative and enjoyable drama productions.



ST RICHARD GWYN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
ARGAE LANE, BARRY, VALE OF GLAMORGAN, CF63 1BL. Tel: 01446 729250
Email: info@strichardgwyn.co.uk • Twitter: @strichardgwynba
For further information please visit our website www.strichardgwyn.co.uk


**MAKING YOUR
HOUSE
A HOME**
**MAKING YOUR
HOUSE
A HOME**

Which home improvements will pay off in added value?

RESearch has looked at how people can increase the value of their property with the right home improvement project.

An extension or loft conversion, which creates a double bedroom with its own bathroom, can bump up the value of a home by nearly a quarter (23 per cent) – and is the single most effective home improvement project.

The research by Nationwide Building Society, conducted in 2011, suggests a 10 per cent increase in floor space adds five per cent to the price of a typical home, but that an extra bedroom is usually a more effective use of your money than moving.

While moving up from a three-bedroom

house to a four-bedroom, two-bathroom property costs an average £40,000 – not including legal fees and other moving costs – a loft conversion or other extension can be accomplished for possibly £30,000 to £35,000.

However, the extra bathroom is the critical point; an extra bedroom, by itself, adds only 12 per cent to average price.

Extending an existing home remains a popular option for many people.

Nationwide chief economist Robert Gardner said:

by **JEREMY GATES**

“Households are happy to pay for more space, and our analysis suggests that, providing the room is usable, adding an extra bedroom can be a good way to increase the value of a home.”

“While larger properties cost most to buy, smaller ones tend to have a higher price per square metre.”

“This marginal cost falls in part because it is relatively cheaper to build larger properties.”

The Nationwide survey also highlighted home owners concerns about energy

efficiency. At the time, Government figures suggested that more than 19 million homes (86 per cent of stock) could benefit from at least one of the cost effective improvements recommended through the energy

performance certificate that is required when a home is sold.

Improvements in this area include loft insulation, cavity wall insulation and better boilers for more efficient heating systems.

SPECIAL OFFER

**Remote Control Roller Shutters
FROM ONLY £650+VAT FITTED**

FROM SOUTH WALES' LEADING DOOR
MANUFACTURER AND GARAGE DOOR SPECIALIST

Contact us today for further information

01656 659274 • 01446 439219

WWW.ACTIONDOORS.COM

Timberaway
Garden and Tree Services

(NPTC)
Qualified Tree Surgeon
Fully Insured
All types of garden and tree work undertaken.

**Competitive prices
which include
Waste removal**

Martin Robson awaits your call!

**01446 402848
07739 389578**

Fitted Bedrooms



**Ten Good Reasons to choose
Town & Country Bedrooms**

1. Genuine Made to Measure Units.
2. Now over 1000 Choices
3. 10 Year Guarantee on all units.
4. Highest Quality Unit Construction
5. Latest Computer Design Software
6. Highly Experienced Tradesmen
7. No Pressure Sales Approach
8. Installing Bedrooms for over 30 Years
9. FREE Home Measure & Consultation.
10. Friendly Family Business

**SPECIAL OFFERS
on All Ranges**

Home Office

Genuine Made to Measure Units
for that perfect fit. Huge Range of
Door Styles and Colours.
Over 1000 Combinations
all installed by professionals



Sliding Door Wardrobes

Both Fitted and Freestanding
Sliding Door Wardrobes. Call in to
view as the choice is vast and
we can't get it all on our website!!



Town & Country Bedrooms

www.townandcountrybedrooms.co.uk

DESIGN • MANUFACTURE • INSTALL

**Call Now!!
01656-657526**



Unit 1 North Point,
Western Avenue,
Bridgend Industrial Estate
Bridgend CF31 3RX
Tel: 01656 657526

• 0% FINANCE AVAILABLE • 0% FINANCE AVAILABLE • 0% FINANCE AVAILABLE •

SPECIAL 25% OFF

MPN Windows, your local Network VEKA member is recommended by Steve Davies. **We will beat any written quote like for like!**

SPECIAL OFFER

BEVELLED FRONT DOORS £499

WINDOW & DOOR REPAIR SERVICE AVAILABLE 7 DAYS A WEEK

6 (YALE LOCKING) WINDOWS FITTED FROM £1795

(YALE LOCKING) DOORS FITTED FROM £475

(YALE LOCKING) FRENCH DOORS FROM £795

(YALE LOCKING) CONSERVATORIES FROM £3495

(YALE LOCKING) COMPOSITE DOORS FITTED FROM £795

- ✓ WINDOWS & DOORS
- ✓ FULL REPAIR SERVICE AVAILABLE
- ✓ FREE VERTICAL BLINDS
- ✓ WIDE RANGE OF STYLES & FINISHES
- ✓ 10 YEAR PEACE OF MIND GUARANTEE



NETWORK VEKA IS
APPROVED BY STEVE DAVIES

Steve Davies

**Voted Best
Installer - Wales
2013 by
Network Veka**

**Award Winning
Family Owned
Business
since 1994!**

**REPAIR SERVICE
Available 24/7
Call 07976 640959**

**0%
finance
available**

SPECIAL OFFER

not to be
missed

This stunning
**Bevelled
Front Door**
fully fitted
only £499



choose one of these perfect doors

NO DEPOSITS & FREE QUOTES

ASK ABOUT OUR TRADE WINDOWS,
DOORS AND CONSERVATORIES

FREE ONLINE QUOTES

www.mpnwindows.com

or Text your queries to: 07976 640959



Amazing Offer!

Claim your free vertical blinds with every full house
of windows and doors or conservatory fitted!

Terms and conditions apply

Scan with
your
smartphone



Email:

mpnwindows@aol.com

Opening Hours:

9am to 9pm

7 Days a Week

**Free Conservatory
Design Service
Available**

We supply & fit
Fascias, Gutters
& Downpipes



APPROVED MEMBER

Network VEKA

TRUST MARK



BRIDGEND 01656 349515 - CARDIFF 02920 508770

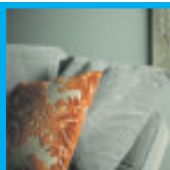
BARRY 01446 439212 | 07976 640959

www.mpnwindows.com

Showrooms at: 10a Ewenny Road, Bridgend. CF31 3HL
Unit 2 Leckwith Road, Cardiff. CF11 8AP

• 0% FINANCE AVAILABLE • 0% FINANCE AVAILABLE • 0% FINANCE AVAILABLE •

MAKING YOUR HOUSE A HOME



GETTING YOUR HOME TO LOOK ITS BEST – WITH MODERN DECORATIONS!

WHETHER you want to give a room a fresh look with new curtains or blinds, or find something to suit an existing colour scheme, Modern Decorations have what you are looking for.

Geoff Brown has over 30 years' experience in advising on and supplying curtains and blinds to both the domestic and contract market.

He can call at a customer's home or place of work at their convenience, and offers the full service of measuring, make up and fitting without customers having to spend time shopping around.

He has a wide range of fabric samples and colours with amazing textures, to suit any room,

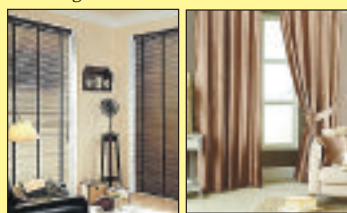
and estimates are free with no obligation. All requirements can be accommodated.

• Telephone Geoff on 01446 739174, or 0771853838 – and get your home looking its best!

MODERN DECORATIONS

*Your 1st choice
for curtains and blinds*

- View a wide range of Fabrics in the comfort of your own home or office.
- Curtains, all valances, tie backs, curtain tracks and poles.
- Venetian, Vertical, Roller and Roman Blinds.
- Full measuring, make up and Fitting Service.



Geoff Brown
01446 739174 or 07718 536838
Estimates Free (with no obligation)
over 30 years experience
Find us on yell.com

www.moderndecorations.co.uk

• Brabantia • Stellar • Horwood • Judge Vista • Meyer • Circulon • Anolon •



1st Choice APPLIANCE & COOKWARE CENTRE

**PREMIUM QUALITY
BRANDS AT THE LOWEST
POSSIBLE PRICES**

*Two floors with a comprehensive
display of appliances and accessories.
Factory refurbished and brand new
appliances in stock.*

Built-in ovens, hobs, dishwashers, washing machines, fridge freezers, range cookers - gas, electric, LPG and dual fuel in stainless steel and farmhouse styles!

Quality Products at Competitive Prices!

**EXTRA DISCOUNTS
EVERY SATURDAY
DURING SEPTEMBER**

Only with this voucher

**DISCOUNTS FOR THE
OVER 60s on Tuesdays
and Thursdays**

*(Please ask in-store for details)
ONLY WITH THIS VOUCHER*



**3A TYNEWYDD ROAD,
KING SQUARE, BARRY**
(opposite new library)

Also large warehouse & showroom
at **252 HOLTON RD, BARRY**
(Bassett End)

Prices constantly checked to make sure
WE ARE THE CHEAPEST

**All In Stock! – Ready to Go!
Same/Next Day Delivery Service!**

Full Repair Service and up to 5 years manufacturers warranty

Telephone: 01446 730884

www.1stchoicetrade.co.uk

Experienced
sales staff on
hand to advise
you with your
purchases.

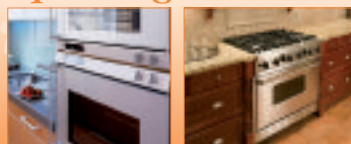


**OPEN:
Monday - Saturday
9am - 5.30pm**

*Appliance used for
illustration purposes only.*

• TEG Design • James Martin • Jamie Oliver • Franke • Astracast • LG • LEC •

eco-oven cleaning
to a *Treat yourself*
Sparkling clean oven



call 02920 291770

www.ecoovencleaning.co.uk

twenty 12 flooring.com

Luxury Vinyl Tile • Laminate • Wood • Carpet • Vinyl • Rugs

*New Look Twenty 12 Flooring, but the same
traditional values and quality service*



- **FREE ESTIMATES**
- **FREE DELIVERY**
- **HOME SELECTION**
- **UPLIFT OLD FLOORING**
- **MOVE FURNITURE**



**10%
OFF
VOUCHER**

*Only with this coupon.
Please mention or present voucher
when ordering. Valid until 3/10/13.*

We now specialise in woollen carpets and new generation, hardwearing laminates.



TELEPHONE: 0800 610 2012 • 07403 310 516

www.2012flooring.co.uk • E-Mail: info@twenty12flooring.com



Kan-Du Kitchens

Accessories, custom designs and full kitchen installations, together 'We Kan-Du it'

Call Today: 029 21 407 591



Choose your style, choose your colour and choose your finish



This month's special offer
FREE FITTING on selected ranges until end of Sept

www.kandukitchens.com | info@kandukitchens.com

We stock and supply
• Kitchens
• Replacement Doors
• Appliances
• Accessories
Everything you need for your dream kitchen



The Kan-Du kitchens website is the perfect place to start to plan your new kitchen. You can browse styles, colours and finishes and get a feel for some of the accessories we can supply.

Scan this Q.R code with your smartphone to view the site now



WHY CHOOSE KAN-DU

Choose a kitchen to be proud of

We create bespoke designs with C.A.D. use 2nd class materials and pride ourselves on the quality of our craftsmanship



Whether you are changing your doors, worktops or are planning a full refit, Kan-Du Kitchens offers a complete kitchen installation service with prices to suit all budgets.

CREATE A HOME TO BE PROUD OF

MAKING YOUR HOUSE A HOME



When it comes to kitchens... **We Kan Du it for You!**

THANKS to GEM readers, It has been a busy few months for Kan-Du Kitchens.

Our customers call us experts in the field – as we provide a high quality service specifically tailored to changing kitchen doors, worktop, appliances and full refurbishments.

A family run business, with traditional values, we believe in honesty, trust and helping people create a home to be proud of.

My father and I opened Kan-Du Kitchens together and have over 25 years of experience designing, supplying and installing kitchens.

Our qualified installation team have all undergone CRB checks, to give our customers peace of mind.

We put our customers first and deliver a friendly, reliable, professional service and, as a family business, it gives

a personal touch and reassurance that you can contact someone that really cares.

We constantly compare our prices and believe we are 44 per cent cheaper than any other kitchen company.

When choosing new kitchen doors, our showroom comes to you, with a huge range of door styles in a variety of colours.

Each installation can take only a few days and, in cases where you are only changing the doors and worktops, it might take just a day. It's a hassle free service, and all rubbish will be removed.

For a free quotation with no obligation, please call 02921 407 591 or visit www.kandukitchens.com

Whether you are changing your kitchen doors and worktops, or are planning a full refurbishment, together we Kan-Du it!

GAVIN BUCK

SEE MORE HOMES ON PAGE 24



BRIGHT LIGHTS



New Autumn Displays Now in

Up to 75% OFF selected stock

Plus an extra 10% off any item only with this advert (Offer valid until 30th September 2013)

**VALEGATE RETAIL PARK
CULVERHOUSE CROSS
CARDIFF . CF5 6EH**

**02920 595953
www.brightlights.com**

Is your kitchen looking unwell?
Then call the Door Doctor

A family business with vast experience in the replacement door and worktop market. Everything you require from the doors, to worktops and new appliances and sinks.

FREE FITTING LIMITED OFFER

Before...



After...



Before...



After...



Before...



After...



DOOR DOCTOR
less mess, less cost

The Door Doctor

www.door-doctor.co.uk

01446 688018/01656 360027



Installing Trust and Peace of Mind

Creating a room for all seasons!

A conservatory is a wonderful way to enhance your home and your lifestyle. A beautiful room that connects the inside and outside and lets you enjoy the glories of your garden all year round.

BUT have you considered how you will keep your conservatory warm in winter and cool in summer. A traditional polycarbonate conservatory roof can mean the beautiful new addition to your home is too cold in winter and too hot in summer. While heating and blinds can help solve these problems these can be costly and disruptive to install. Future Ideal Homes Ltd have the solution.

Future Vertex tile effect roof! You get all the benefits of a conservatory with none of the downsides. It will truly transform your conservatory whilst adding that seamless addition to your home.

We get a lot of calls from people asking what makes this roof so much better:

The answer is: it's crafted from the vertex roof system offering a better U-value of 1.55 better than your traditional glass or polycarbonate and also comes in a range of colours to match existing house tiles.



Mr Cook "We are delighted with our new roof, we are now making our once empty conservatory into a now livable room"

Mr Young "its made such a difference to our conservatory we weren't able to use it as it was too hot in the summer and too cold in the winter and now we have had the Vertex roof installed its made a total difference to the temperature of the room and the grandkids love it"

We are renowned as a company you can rely on and only the highest standard of workmanship. To ensure we maintain this level of work all our staff are fully trained and qualified in their own field of expertise and carry the Minimum Technical Competency qualification required by building standards and regulations. All our products hold a CE mark to comply with legislation and a 10 year insurance backed guarantee.

Other Services we offer:

- Home Extensions • Garage conversions
- Orangeries, Atriums • All aspects of PVC-u windows, doors, Bi-fold and box sash 25% sale on!!!!
- Glass balustrades
- Kitchens, Bathrooms and bedrooms

We project manage all our work from Architects drawing to the finishing project. Through our commitment to improvement we aim to achieve and maintain this by meeting and exceeding the expectations of our customers.

For more information or to view any of our finished projects please do not hesitate to contact one of our friendly sales teams today free on 0800 032 0921 or 01446 733455 or

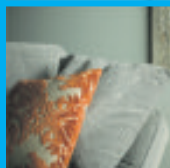
visit our website www.futureidealhomesltd.com.

Unit 3, Storage House, Priority Enterprise Park, Cardiff Road Barry CF63 2BG





**MAKING YOUR
HOUSE
AHOME**



Now's the time to prepare your nest for winter

WITH autumn arriving, it is time to prepare your home and keep you and your home snug all winter long. Severe weather can occur at any time of the year, but is most likely during the winter months. It can cause a range of problems – but you can be ready for them with our top tips to help you:

Insulate your loft – loft insulation is one of the most efficient ways to keep heat from escaping in a home. Topping up from 100mm to 270mm can save around £25 a year on heating bills.

Set the heating to switch off a short while before you go to bed – that way it'll still be nice and warm as you get ready for bed but the heating won't stay on unnecessarily once you're tucked up.

Set the heating to switch on just long enough before you wake up for the house to be warm by the time you get out of bed. But you don't need it to stay switched on all the way up to when you leave the house – the house will take a while to cool down again, so try setting the heating to turn off half an hour before you're due to go out of the door.

Use the right tog duvet for the weather (low tog in summer and high tog in winter) to avoid having to use the heating (or air conditioning) unnecessarily.

Draw curtains at dusk to keep the heat in for when you go to bed. Heavy lined curtains can

Opening offers at Home Comforts

HOME COMFORTS burst into autumn with some genuine opening offers – £100 off some pine and oak table sets!

As our many returning customers know, our oak is solid American White oak, and not the unstable Russian oak as used by many of our competitors.

We are also introducing our new bespoke

pine and oak service – bring us your sizes, we'll quote and get the furniture made for you!

We also have plenty of traditional sized cabinet furniture to suit everyone's taste throughout the store...

...Not forgetting our accessories, rugs, prints, kids' stools, art work and hand-made lamps.

Everything available delivered free to the room of your choice, with all packaging removed!

also help keep the heat in.

Wear socks to bed in cold weather to keep 'toasty'.

Use a hot water bottle to warm the bed up, rather than an electric blanket.

Invest in draught excluders to keep the heat in your room. Draught proofing can save up to £55 a year on heating costs.

Call the Nest advice line on 0800 808 2244.

Nest, the Welsh Government's fuel poverty scheme, offers home improvements at no cost to applicants who own or privately rent their home, live in a property that is very energy inefficient and receive a means tested state benefit.

Following a home visit to check eligibility, a Nest assessor will recommend a tailored package of improvements to help make the property warmer and save money on energy bills.

Immaculate

- One Off or Regular Cleans
- Ironing Services Available
- Pre and Post Tenant Cleans
- Fully Insured
- All staff CRB checked
- Call or email now for a free, No Obligation Quote

**COMMERCIAL,
DOMESTIC
& IRONING
SERVICES**

Covering Bridgend
& The Vale

Call (Bridgend)
07999 257421



Email: immaculatecleaning@hotmail.co.uk
Web: www.immaculatecleaning.vpweb.co.uk

Building Plots for Sale

Ogmore-by-Sea

Craig Yr Eos Avenue

Outline Planning Permission for Six
Detached Dwellings with Sea Views

Prices from £170,000



Building yourself a whole new lifestyle...

Tel. 01656 669669

www.plots4saleogmore.co.uk

More than 60 people attend bus meeting

A public meeting in Barry last week highlighting the issue of bus services in the Vale was attended by more than 60 people.

Local MP Alun Cairns chaired and organised the meeting, which was also attended by the Leader of the Welsh Conservatives, Andrew RT Davies, Jason Davies of First Group and Peter Heath from Cardiff Bus. Mike Edwards of Vale 50 Plus Strategy Forum also contributed to the meeting.

Reductions in the bus services operating grant and other local authority subsidies have meant that commercially-operated bus services have implemented reductions in services. The bus managers stated that the cuts in funding had been more severe in Wales than in England.

Local residents and bus users said they were baffled as to why the Welsh Government was subsidising the T9 airport service by a total of £470,000 when it carried very few passengers – particularly

when other services were being cut. Mr Cairns said he had been trying to tackle the issue for a number of months and encouraged people to contact their other elected representatives, locally and nationally, to emphasise how strongly they felt on bus route cuts.

Andrew RT Davies told The GEM: "The number of people from across the Vale who were at the meeting on Friday displays the strength of feeling on this issue."

Wenvoe church family fun day is a hit with villagers



*Pictures by
KATE HIBBERT*

'Time to deliver for the Vale' – says Tory leader

IN the coming weeks, the Welsh Government will be publishing its budget for 2014-15. As the Finance Minister your local AM, Jane Hutt, holds the purse strings and wields a great deal of influence over her Government's spending plans.

I have written today to Ms Hutt to ask her to deliver for Vale residents in three key areas: Fair Funding for the Vale – my colleague, Alun Cairns MP, has discovered that the Vale Council is currently receiving around £25 million a year less from the Labour Welsh Government than neighbouring councils Cardiff and Bridgend; around £202 and £226 less per head respectively. This has to be addressed.

More funding for rural buses – last year Ms Hutt's Government cut support for buses in Wales by over a million pounds, with the bus operators grant cut by 12 per cent here in the Vale.

This has left many rural residents complete-

ly isolated, with some no longer having any bus service at all.

Support for the NHS – cuts of more than £800 million over five years have decimated many local services and an endless array of reports indicate an on-going decline in the performance of the Welsh NHS, despite the valiant efforts of our frontline staff.

We want to see more funding allocated to protecting the health budget from these cuts.

When the Welsh Government's budget is published, Vale residents will rightly expect to see material improvements in each of these areas and I would strongly you to write to your local AM and make your views clear.

Vale residents didn't ask for a £52 million airport, or for almost half a million a year in subsidising a near empty shuttle bus. And they certainly won't accept chicken feed when this budget is published. It's time for the local AM to deliver for the Vale.

Andrew RT Davies AM South Wales Central (Leader of the Welsh Conservatives)



THE first ever Wenvoe fun day was held on August 31, in Grange Park, Wenvoe.

A bouncy castle, burgers and hot dogs, face painting and a coconut shy were just a few of the activities provided by the event organisers, Vale Village Church, Wenvoe.

Local residents enjoying the sunshine at the end of the day all agreed that: "This has been a fantastic day. A lovely family day out, and for free!"

Gary Smith, leader of Vale Village Church, said: "As we approach the first anniversary of the church we thought a family fun day would be a great way to celebrate with the village."

"It was so encouraging that so many people's joined us."



**Home Comforts
Furniture Warehouse**

AUTUMN OFFER

**Genuine discounts
on all dining
tables and chairs**

Example - £100 off Solid
American White Oak 4'4"
extending table
& 6 Chairs.

**Huge Savings on Quality
Fully Assembled Furniture**
Come and see our prints,
rugs & accessories.

4A WEST WINDS BUSINESS PARK, LLANGAN,
Nr COWBRIDGE, CF35 5DR Next to Llangan Primary School
Free Parking and Complimentary Coffee!
Tel. 01656 861120 • www.homecomfortsfw.co.uk

END OF YEAR ROUND-UP FROM YSGOL GYFUN BRO MORGANNWG



CITIZENSHIP.



NIA ROWLANDS.



RESIDENTIAL COURSE.



JACK TWEDDLE receives his award.



DAFYDD GEORGE.

The end of the Summer term was a busy time at Ysgol Gyfun Bro Morgannwg with an array of events and activities taking place. Here is a small selection...

JUNIOR MATHS CHALLENGE
A selection of our year 8 pupils were part of over 240,000 pupils from across the UK who sat the Junior Maths Challenge with roughly the top 6% receiving a gold certificate, the next 13% silver and the next 21% bronze. Congratulations to the pupils below on their success.

Gold certificate: Niclas Want, silver certificate: Bronwen Lloyd & Megan Davies, bronze certificate: Kory Russell, Nia Paddison Rees & Josef Williams.

YEAR-12 BAC CITIZENSHIP & MODERN LANGUAGES
Four brand new political parties competed to win the 2013 Bro Morgannwg elections...

This year's parties were the Unicorn Party, The Royal Welsh Party, Paul's Party and Morgannwg Massive Party. Every pupil was given the opportunity to vote for the party that had created the most attractive manifesto and marketing campaign in their eyes.

After devising budget, language, health and environmental policies, the parties spent time canvassing, using various techniques to encourage pupils to vote for them.

After the speeches and voting, the Morgannwg Massive party was victorious. Congratulations to them, their candidate, Tom Firth, and assistant candidate, Tarl Williams.

On Wednesday, June 19, year-

12 students took part in a Languages Day, as part of their BAC studies. During the day they had the opportunity to taste an array of foreign foods and enjoyed a salsa dancing session along with many other activities.

YEAR-6 RESIDENTIAL COURSE
It was a pleasure to welcome pupils from year-6 to the school on Friday, June 14 for a transition day.

Following this, 93 of the pupils went on a residential course to Pendine. While there, they had a taste of a variety of activities, including climbing, sea activities, zip wire, abseiling, river walk and, of course, the disco during the evening.

They also had the opportunity to mix with and get to know each other during the house and team activities. It was a highly successful trip and everyone enjoyed themselves.

SPORTING SUCCESS
Congratulations to Dafydd George (year 11), who came first in the 800m at the Welsh Schools Athletics event, in a time of 2 minutes, 00.96 seconds.

YEAR-6 MACBETH DAY
On Wednesday, July 3, year-6 pupils visited Ysgol y Fro in their witch and battle outfits, ready for a day of mystery and suspense - as they were immersed in the terrible world of Shakespeare's Macbeth, his evil wife and the manipulative witches.

Pupils learned about the dark themes of the play, Jacobean theatre and stagecraft and the magic and spells of Welsh poetry. The exciting activities eventually culminated in an impressive bilingual performance of our own version of

the Scottish play where every student took part.

This also included scenes performed by the professional actress Nicky Branson as Lady Macbeth, and our very talented year-9 performers. A memorable day was enjoyed by all!

MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES TEACHER OF THE YEAR
Félicitations! Warmest congratulations to Nia Rowlands, MFL subject leader, on winning the accolade of Modern Foreign Languages Teacher of the Year.

The award is dedicated by Cilt Cymru and Routes into Languages to teachers who have displayed excellence in language teaching. Mrs Rowlands, who has been leading the MFL department for two years, was nominated by the pupils.

Following the original nomination, a French lesson was observed and pupils in year 10 were interviewed before we received the excellent news that Mrs Rowlands had won!

We are extremely proud of this achievement and delighted that we have the best MFL teacher in Wales currently on our staff!

There was more good news from the MFL department! Congratulations to Jack Tweddle (year-8) on becoming National French Spelling Bee runner-up 2013.

Also congratulations go to Josef Nicholas for an excellent performance in the final round of the competition. The final was held at the National Library of Wales, Aberystwyth on Friday, July 19; très bien Jack et Josef!



LANGUAGES.



MACBETH.



MATHS CHALLENGE.

Age Concern group praised

CARDIFF and Vale Age Concern 'outreach' group at Ewenny Village Hall has welcomed people from across the western Vale, including Ogmore-by-Sea and Southerndown and volunteers.

The group was addressed

by the Vale AM, Jane Hutt, at their coffee morning, who said: "I welcome the work of Cardiff and Vale Age Concern and their volunteers in setting up groups in the rural Vale with great success, such as the group which meets in Ewenny."

**67 High Street
Cowbridge
CF71 7AF**

BRINSONS
FAIRFAX

Chartered Surveyors, Estate Agents & Auctioneers

NOW OPEN

Residential Sales, Lettings & Management



**THINKING OF MOVING?
CALL FOR YOUR FREE MARKET APPRAISAL
T: 01446 771 777
E: sales@brinsonsfairfax.co.uk**

www.brinsons.co.uk

Offices also at: Eastgate, Market Street, Caerphilly CF83 1NX. Tel: 029 2086 7711



T: 01446 771777
E: sales@brinsonsfairfax.co.uk
www.brinsons.co.uk

BRINSONS

FAIRFAX

Chartered Surveyors, Estate Agents & Auctioneers



Lansdown, Llangan £489,950

Impressive four/five bedroom home in sought after village a short distance from the amenities of the market town of Cowbridge. EPC Rating - D



Patch Cottage, Llanharry £450,000

Character four bedroom home in grounds of just under an acre with vegetable garden and kennels in the popular village of Llanharry. EPC Rating - E



Newbridge £590,000

Spacious four bedroom farm house set within 11.90 acres with stabling, barns and ménage. EPC Rating - D



Llanwonno £330,000

Charming three bedroom barn conversion in 6.5 acres with far reaching views of the valley. EPC Rating - F



Newbridge £350,000

Delightful two bedroom barn conversion set in 2.35 acres in a semi-rural location. EPC Rating - C



Trethomas £359,950

Rare opportunity to purchase this unique detached period farm house set on approx. 1 acre of land. EPC Rating - F



Welsh St Donats

Church farm - house with 163 acres and farm buildings in a delightful setting in the Vale of Glamorgan.



Trerhyngyll £1,800 PCM

Well presented four/five bedroom detached house a short distance from Cowbridge. EPC Rating - D

www.brinsons.co.uk

Offices also at: Eastgate, Market Street, Caerphilly CF83 1NX. Tel: 029 2086 7711



1 Broad Street, Barry CF62 7AA

Sales: 01446 736888

Lettings: 01446 734668

www.homesonview.co.uk

www.ninaestateagents.co.uk



website:
www.ninaestateagents.co.uk
email:
enquiries@ninaestateagents.co.uk



GILBERT STREET, BARRY
Mid terraced, forecourted traditional, three bedrooms, two reception rooms, fitted kitchen, utility area, family bathroom accessible via bedroom, mature enclosed garden, lane access, no chain. ER-D.
£99,950



SOUTH ROAD, SULLY
Detached house, spacious living, four bedrooms, living room, kitchen/diner, sitting room, utility room, longer than average driveway, garage, no chain, channel views from 1st floor. ER-D.
£334,950



ROMILLY AVENUE, BARRY
Mid terraced, traditional dwelling, popular location, two reception rooms, four bedrooms, enclosed rear garden, no chain. ER-E.
£229,950



BRIDGE STREET, BARRY
Mid terraced, traditional dwelling, two receptions, modern fitted kitchen, modernised throughout by seller, 2009 gc heating via combi, 2012 fitted upvc dg, newly plastered walls. ER-D.
£91,950



ADENFIELD WAY, RHOOSE
Detached bungalow, maintenance free, renovated throughout by present sellers, versatile living, oak flooring, living room, three double bedrooms, dressing room. ER-E.
£232,500



FONMON ROAD, RHOOSE
Spacious plot, offering ideal space to extend (subject to usual planning consent), semi detached, three bedrooms, living, dining room, conservatory, level garden. ER-D.
£214,950



LOWER PYKE STREET, BARRY
Immaculately presented, original tiled flooring, maintenance free, through living room, separate dining room, three bedrooms, enclosed rear garden with illuminated decking. ER-D.
£119,950



THE WHEATE CLOSE, RHOOSE
Two bedroom semi detached, driveway, lounge, kitchen, diner, large garden. ER-D.
£124,950



MARINE DRIVE, BARRY
Spacious semi detached, sun lounge overlooking front, porch/wc cloakroom, living room, open plan modern fitted kitchen/diner, utility, three double bedrooms. ER-D.
£249,950



PORT ROAD EAST, BARRY
Bay fronted semi detached extended via double extension, wc cloakroom, living/sitting room, dining room opening to kitchen, conservatory, three double bedrooms, master ensuite bathroom, private enclosed garden. ER-D.
£229,950



QUEEN STREET, BARRY
Three bedrooms, 1st floor bathroom, mid terraced traditional, through living room, fitted kitchen, small rear garden, no chain. ER-D.
£107,950



BROOK STREET, BARRY
Mid terraced, through living room, kitchen, ground floor bathroom, three bedrooms, attic area via dropped down ladder, upvc dg - gch via combi, no chain. ER-D.
£94,500



ROMILLY PARK ROAD, BARRY
Edwardian semi detached, four reception rooms, three storey, five bedrooms, far reaching sea views, family bathroom to 1st floor, double garage with electric door, parking via hardstanding to rear. ER-E.
£369,950



COLDBROOK ROAD, BARRY
Traditional bay fronted, detached dorna bungalow, three bedrooms, bathroom, wc, lounge/diner, kitchen & conservatory, 1st floor further bedroom, off rd parking. ER-E.
£159,950



CLAUDE ROAD, BARRY
Corner positioned, semi detached, in need of some modernising, living room, three bedrooms, garage/driveway, front, side & rear gardens, no chain. ER-D.
£119,950



CHARLOTTE PLACE, BARRY
Refurbished throughout, split level, mid terraced, ground floor - 2 reception rooms, lower floor - fitted kitchen, 1st floor - three bedrooms & family bathroom. Gch via combi, no chain ideal first time buy. ER-E.
£109,950



FFORD CWM CIDI, BARRY
Modern elevated detached, four bedrooms, two reception rooms, kitchen/breakfast room, wc cloakroom, driveway/garage.
£244,950



HIGH STREET, BARRY
Three storey, mid terraced traditional, through living room, fitted kitchen, 1st floor - two double bedrooms, family bathroom, 2nd floor - third double bedroom, gch, upvc double glazing. ER-E.
£114,950



HOELY PORTHLADD, BARRY
Mid linked, modern townhouse, ground floor - wc cloakroom, kitchen/breakfast, 1st floor - lounge, bedroom & family bathroom. 2nd floor - two bedrooms, master ensuite, garage parking. ER-C.
£159,950



DOBBINS ROAD, BARRY
End of terrace, 3 bedrooms, two reception rooms, downstairs bathroom, enclosed garden, upvc dg - gch., no chain. ER-F.
£90,000



TYNEWYDD ROAD, BARRY
Spacious mid terraced, bay fronted, ideal family home, three reception rooms, four bedrooms, no chain, garage/lane access. ER-D.
£147,950



PORT ROAD EAST, BARRY
Spacious detached, lounge, dining room, kitchen, conservatory, four bedrooms, master ensuite, double garage, private enclosed garden. ER-E.
£399,950



FONMON PARK ROAD, RHOOSE
Modern detached, wc cloakroom, living room, conservatory, fitted kitchen, dining room, enclosed rear garden, driveway, upvc dg. ER-D.
£164,950



GRANGE COURT, BARRY
Two bedroomed, 1st floor apartment, well presented throughout, 18ft living room with high ceilings, designated parking & visitors, gch via combi & upvc dg. Ideal first time buy. ER-B.
£79,950



GREENACRES, BARRY
Mid linked, modern end link, enclosed garden, living/dining room, conservatory, designated parking, fitted kitchen/integrated appliances, ideal first time buy. ER-D.
£124,950



MAES GLAS, BARRY
Spacious living throughout, living room, dining room, snug (converted garage), extended breakfast/kitchen, wc cloak, utility room, four bedrooms, driveway. ER-D.
£249,950



TENNYSON ROAD, BARRY
Three bedroomed, mid linked traditional, well presented, enclosed rear garden, easy access to link rd. ER-D.
£102,500



BELL STREET, BARRY
Two bedroomed, traditional mid terraced, living/dining room, kitchen, wc cloakroom, first floor family bathroom, enclosed rear garden, minutes walk to Porthcoeri. ER-E.
£106,950



PURDEY CLOSE, BARRY
Inviable plot, three bedrooms, semi detached, larger than average garden, ample room to extend (subject to usual planning consent), driveway for many cars, no chain, upvc dg - gc heating. ER-D.
£139,950



WINDSOR ROAD, BARRY
Five bedrooms, living room, dining room, original features throughout, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, wc cloak, viewing essential, West End location. ER-E.
£199,950



JENNER ROAD, BARRY
Show home presented, two bedroomed, stunning apartment, living room, kitchen opening to breakfast room, shower room, far reaching views over Bristol Channel. ER-C.
£104,950



MAIN STREET, BARRY
Traditional, through living room, kitchen, two bedrooms leading to third, in need of some modernisation, partial gas central heating, no chain. ER-D.
£84,950



HOWARD COURT, BARRY
Well presented, two double bedrooms, 2nd floor apartment, living room overlooking Pontypridd Road, modern fitted kitchen, gch & upvc dg, garage.
£92,500



SPRINGFIELD RISE, BARRY
Very well presented, semi detached bungalow, three bedrooms, living room, upvc dg - gch via combi, modern fitted kitchen/breakfast, driveway/garage. ER-D.
£159,950



SHELLEY CRES, BARRY
Three bedroomed semi detached, living room, enclosed rear garden, no chain, upvc dg - gc heating, ideal first time buy.
£82,000



PARK AVENUE, BARRY
Well presented, far reaching views over old harbour & the Channel, mid terraced traditional, elevated Victorian dwelling, three double bedrooms, through living room, spacious kitchen/breakfast. ER-E.
£179,999



URGENTLY REQUIRED

3 bedroom semi detached properties at 'West End' up to £180,000.

3 bedroom properties up to £90,000 in need of modernising. Investors waiting.

2 bedroom semi detached on Smeaton Close, Rhooose and Adenfield Way, Rhooose. Buyer waiting.

Call 01446 736 888 and speak to Nina for a free valuation.

Who wants to build what, and where?

Mr Gary Llewellyn – **The Stables, St Brides Road, Wick** – outline application for construction of one detached house.

Mrs Amanda Williams – **Aderyn Cottage, Nurston, Barry** – change of use to catering.

Mrs Angela Mills – **Timbers, Castle Precinct, Llandough** – crown reduce willow.

Mr Morgan – **Mewslade, St Andrews Road, Dinas Powys** – crown lit chestnut on front boundary.

Mr Fowler – **13 West Farm Road, Ogmore-by-Sea** – replacement conservatory, kitchen extension and extra bedroom.
Mr Robert Thomas – **27 Wimbourne Close, Llantwit Major** – single storey extension on end elevation.

Mr John Webb – **Barry Yacht Club, Redbrink Crescent, Barry** – proposed front balcony extension and new fire escape access stairs and door to rear yard.

Mr Ross Griffin – **Tregegin, Bridge Road, Llanblethian, Cowbridge** – retention of the erection of pillar totalling 1.34m in height.

United Welsh Housing Association Ltd – **land south of Primrose Hill, Cowbridge** – Residential development comprised of 60 per cent affordable housing and 40 per cent open market family housing, and associated works, including strategic access point.

Ms Joan Walsh – **Ty Celyn, Millay Lane, Llantwit Major** – T1 Holly, coppice at 250mm above ground level; T2 Macrocarpa, reduce back phototropic limbs over Holly by up to 2m; G1 2 x Elms, fell to ground level.

Mr and Mrs M Phelps – **5 Raisdale Gardens, Penarth** –

Tree 3-6; crown reduce by up to 2m.

Acorn Tree Services – **51 Stanwell Road, Penarth** – remove two Conifers, conifer hedge and Ash tree.

Ms Ceri Jones – **The Croft, Llangan** – riding school on land at The Croft, Llangan.

Glyn and Phillipa George – **Y Felin Fach, Monkash** – drainage works associated with campsite.

Mr and Mrs Gillies – **Causeway House, Causeway Hill, Llanblethian, Cowbridge** – alterations and ground and first floor extension to main house, erection of detached garage, alterations boundary treatment, out-building forming barbecue enclosure and provision of terrace to front and rear.

Mr Paul O'Shea – **19 Sherbourne Close, Barry** – double storey extension to west side. Small single storey kitchen utility extension to east side.

Mr Geraint Morgan – **Ffos y Crydd Farm, Peterston Super Ely** – two-storey side extension and replacement garage.

Mr N Hegarty – **St Brides Court, St Brides Major** – proposed replacement barn (garage and store).

Mr A Leijerstam – **Llantrithyd Deer Park, Bonvilston** – alterations to existing dwelling.

Mr Kevin O'Sullivan – **13 Sully Terrace, Penarth** – two-storey rear extension.

Mr O Davies – **90 Windsor Road, Penarth** – ground floor rear extension.

Mr Jon Holland – **Ty Coed, Southerndown Road, St Brides Major** – two-storey extension to rear and change of pitch of main roof to 45 degrees.

Mr Edward Thomas – **Boverton Place, Boverton** – a liquid diges-

tate storage lagoon.

Mr and Mrs Ian Palmer – **Stable Cottage, Broughton** – two-storey extension to west elevation, new garden room to rear (north) elevation.

Mr Graham Oddy – **Maesydd Farm, Llangan** – proposed glazed conservatory (forming link between existing buildings).

Mr Dion Hunter – **7 Cardiff Road Business Park, Cardiff Road, Barry** – change of use; repair, maintenance and depollution of light motor vehicles with storage for pre and post worked on vehicles.

Mr and Mrs Haydn and Cathryn Mayo – **5 Rosebery Place, Penarth** – single storey extension to the rear of the property including material alterations.

Mr C Harewood – **74 Meadow Vale, Barry** – proposed removal of existing conservatory.

Proposed single storey extension to enlarge living room and form study.

Mrs L Sephton – **Eagle Cottage behind Eagle House, Eagle Lane, Cowbridge** – raise height of lower roof to create bedrooms.

Mr Simon Lane – **Northcliff Farm, Dyffryn** – reconstruction and replacement of existing dwelling and new extensions, including alterations to domestic curtilage.

Mr B Drew – **The Old Barn, Higher End, St Athan** –

Proposed single storey lean to orangery to front elevation.

Existing lean to roof extended across orangery extension.

Ms Ye Hong – **226 Holton Road, Barry** – the use of the commercial premises on the ground floor of the property as a hot food takeaway.

Mr Ian Hunt – **Edmonton, 84A Broadway, Llanblethian, Cowbridge** – T2 to G7 inclusive,

Sycamore trees, crown raise all trees to 5/6m above ground level, remove lowest branch over roof of shed; T18 Ash, dismantle in sections; T19 Ash, dismantle in sections.

Mr and Mrs Lyndon Ward – **Court Farmhouse, Llansannor, Cowbridge** – green oak framed garage and store to side of dwelling.

Mr James Culbertson – **6 Clos Llanfair, Wenvoe** – rear single storey side and first floor side extension.

Project Managment Unit – **Eastern Promenade, Barry Island, Barry** – repairs to the Grade II listed eastern shelter; new walkways and various others works to public realm.

Project Managment Unit – **Eastern Shelter, Barry Island, Barry** – repair and restoration of the Eastern Shelter; repairs to deal with concrete spalling and cracks caused by water ingress; provision of new surfacing to the promenade under the shelter; provision of new guide rail next to the roof perimeter to safeguard pedestrian access as access to the roof is being opened up as part of the wider eastern promenade works.

Mr Stewart Murdoch – **49 Winsford Road, Sully** – replacement of single-storey front porch.

Mr James Reid – **17 New Barn, Flemington, St Athan** – construction of menage for exercising/training horses (33m x 20m).

Mr Eifion Watkins – **Boverton Post Office, Boverton** – proposed flat roof over existing yard to the Post Office shop at Boverton, rear of the site.

Newydd Housing Association – **Former Marine Hotel, Barry Island** – conversion of former Marine Hotel, demolition of storage building, development of sur-

rounding land for 20 affordable residential units and associated works.

Mr Geoff Gilbert – **18 West Terrace, Penarth** – demolition of existing rear garden shed and replacement with new single storey garage.

Mr and Mrs D Mephram – **Bramerton House, St Brides Major** – refurbishment and erection of side extension to two storey detached house and replacement conservatory.

Cylch Meithrin Llanilltud Fawr – **The Old School, Wine Street, Llantwit Major** – erect a permanent 1m high picket fence with a gate surrounding part of an outside space to the rear of the Old School, Wine Street, Llantwit Major.

Mr Terry Smith – **13 Chantry Rise, Penarth** – alterations and extensions including demolition of existing conservatory and garage; two storey extension with balustrade to rear; single storey side porch; accommodation within roof space and re-roofing; re-rendering and cladding; replacement windows and extension of parking area.

Dr Stephen Parker – **17 St Peter's Road, Penarth** – erection of a single storey rear extension.

Mr Jamie Bloomfield – **Glanteifi, Railway Terrace, Penarth** – loft conversion with dormer to the rear providing an additional bedroom and bathroom.

Mr Joseph Lane – **Field Barn, Wick Road, Llantwit Major** – attached garage and porch.

Ms Janet White – **Land at Hill View Stud, Llysorweny** – retention of stable building and wooden storage building.

Nero Holdings Ltd – **4 Birds Lane, Cowbridge** – Use of private forecourt for eating and drinking (ten tables).

Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Cardiff – **St Joseph RC Primary School, Sully Road, Penarth** – proposed freestanding canopy roof over part of central courtyard.

Ms Lynn Leach – **15 Brunel Close, Barry** – proposed ground floor re-arrangement. Proposed bedrooms over existing garage, with changes to roof.

Mr T Harris – **86 Lavernock Road, Penarth** – take down garage to side of property and construct new two-storey extension; new canopy structure to other side of property.

Chris Evans – **The Paddock, Flanders Road, Llantwit Major** – fell one atlas bile cedar and crown lift an ash tree(s).

Kim Wordley – **2 Bradford Place, Penarth** – fell sycamore in rear garden.

Mr Russell Adams – **9 Andover Close, Barry** – double storey side extension and single storey rear extension.

Mr Steven Clarke – **14 Stanton Way, Penarth** – loft conversion with rear dormer and new gables. Rear extension. New front porch.

Mr L Gibbon – **Holmhurst Cottage, The Common, Dinas Powys** – retrospective application for change of use of large domestic dwelling into two flats.

Mr Richard Powell – **9 Rockrose Way, Cogan, Penarth** – Full loft conversion with dormer to front of property.

Mr and Mrs Clement – **Tyr Orsaf, 1 Fort Road, Penarth** – porch extension and bedroom extension.

WE'RE OPEN. COME AND TAKE A LOOK.



The Hedgerows

Whitewell Road, Barry, CF62 9TW

Marketing Suite open daily from 10.30am - 5.30pm

3 and 4 bedroom homes.

Prices from **£164,995**

SHOWHOME OPENING SATURDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER

Our exciting new development in Barry is now open. We have a range of homes to suit everyone's requirements. Come along and find out more.

CALL US **08434 871472***

FOR EXCLUSIVE OFFERS VISIT **PERSIMMONHOMES.COM**



PERSIMMON
Together, we make a home

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 5:00PM 25 September 2013

 Vale of Glamorgan Council
  Homes4U Housing Association
  Newydd Housing Association
  United Welsh
  Homes and More Housing Association


To apply call the hotline, e-mail us at **HOMES4U@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk** or apply in writing to:

Vale of Glamorgan Council
Visible Services and Housing
Civic Offices Holton Road, Barry CF63 4RU or
Newydd Housing Association
121 Broad Street, Barry CF62 7AL

BELLE VUE CLOSE, PENARTH

H4U reference 243004
Suit for a single person or couple over 55 - no pets

- One-bedroom flat
- First floor
- Central heating
- Double glazing
- Community alarm

Rent £95.71 pw including water and alarm charges

BETHEL CHAPEL, BARRY

H4U Reference 1107046
Suitable for a family meeting the maximum occupancy requirement

- Two-bedroom GF flat
- Double-glazing
- Gas central heating
- Shower wet room
- Secure parking

Rent £87.33 per week including service charges

BOROUGH AVENUE, BARRY

H4U reference 200004
Suitable for a family meeting maximum occupancy requirement

- Three-bedroom house
- Central heating
- Double glazing
- Gardens

Rent £101.36 per week including water charges

CAMBRIAN COURT, BARRY

H4U Reference 1061229
Suit for a single person or couple over 40 - no pets

- One-bedroom flat
- First floor (no lift)
- Double-glazing
- Gas central heating
- Enclosed garden

Rent £76.22 per week including service charges

CATHERINE MEAZEY, PENARTH (2)

H4U reference 237873
Suitable for a single person or couple over 55

- 2 x studio apartments
- First floor
- Central heating
- Double glazing

Rent £83.65 per week including water charges

CHESTERFIELD STREET, BARRY

H4U Reference 1107035
Suitable for a family meeting the maximum occupancy requirement

- Two-bed house
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Enclosed garden

Rent £81.25 per week

COPPERFIELD COURT, BARRY

H4U Reference 1032058
Suit for a single person over 55 - no pets

- One-bedroom flat
- Ground floor from rear
- Double-glazing
- Gas central heating
- Communal entrance
- Parking

Rent £77.89 per week including service charges

ELIZABETH AVENUE, BARRY

H4U reference 209086
Suitable for a family meeting the maximum occupancy requirement

- Four-bedroom house
- Central heating
- Double glazing
- Gardens

Rent £100.48 per week including water charges

FFORDD ELIN, BARRY (2)

H4U Reference 1060453
Suitable for a family meeting the maximum occupancy requirement

- 2 x three-bed houses
- Double-glazing
- Gas central heating
- Gardens/parking

Rent £89.48 per week including service charges

GWYN JAMES COURT, PENARTH

H4U Reference 988824
Suit for a single person over 55 - no pets

- Studio apartment
- First floor (no lift)
- Double-glazing
- Gardens/parking
- Scheme co-ordinator

Rent £110.45 per week including heating, water and service charges

HANOVER COURT, BARRY

H4U reference 1105941
Suit for a single person or couple over 55

- One-bedroom flat
- Ground floor
- Walk-in shower
- Scheme manager/alarm

Rent £95.34 per week

MAGELLAN CLOSE, BARRY

H4U reference 1107057
Suit for a small family meeting the maximum occupancy requirement

- Two-bedroom house
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Garden/ parking

Rent £82.61 per week including heating, water and service charges

MERGANSER COURT, BARRY

H4U Reference 1008953
Suitable for a family meeting the maximum occupancy requirement

- Three-bed maisonette
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Enclosed garden

Rent £92.23 per week including service charges

NARBERTH COURT, BARRY

H4U reference 217615
Suitable for a family meeting maximum occupancy requirement

- Two-bedroom house
- Central heating
- Double glazing
- Gardens

Rent £95.97 per week including water charges

NEWGALE CLOSE, BARRY

H4U reference 1107068
Suit for a small family meeting maximum occupancy requirement

- Two-bedroom house
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Gardens/parking

Rent £81.25 per week

OAK COURT, PENARTH

H4U reference 1099598
Suit for a single person or couple over 60 (55 with medical need)

- Studio apartment
- Ground floor
- Double glazing
- Economy 7 heating
- Scheme manager/alarm

Rent £93.62 per week

PENDINE CLOSE, BARRY

H4U reference 219869
Suitable for a family meeting max occupancy requirement - no pets

- Two-bedroom flat
- First floor
- Central heating
- Double glazing
- Communal garden

Rent £83.00 per week including water charges

PENDOYLAN CLOSE, BARRY

H4U reference 220492
Suitable for a family meeting maximum occupancy requirement

- Three-bedroom house
- Central heating
- Double glazing
- Gardens

Rent £95.82 per week including water charges

ST JAMES COURT, PENARTH

H4U reference 244802
Suitable for a single person or couple over 55 - no pets

- One-bedroom flat
- First floor
- Central heating
- Double glazing
- Community alarm

Rent £85.87 pw including water and alarm charges

WOLFE CLOSE, BARRY

H4U reference 229450
Suitable for a family meeting the maximum occupancy requirement

- Two-bedroom flat
- First floor
- Central heating
- Double glazing

Rent £81.73 per week including water charges



You must be a HOMES4U member to apply for any of these homes.

When bidding for more than one property you will be asked to state your order of preference. All descriptions and other details are given in good faith and are believed to be correct but any potential tenant should satisfy themselves as to their correctness. Newydd is a charitable housing association.

Are you a council tenant who has been affected by the bedroom tax?

Would you like to discuss the options available to you?

If so, call our Money Advice Line on 01446 709312 for constructive, impartial advice. This number is not a bidding line for properties in this advert.

Visit the HOMES4U web page to view Immediately Available Homes



Pencoed teams are in action



ABOVE and BELOW: Action from the entertaining game between Pencoed and Maesteg Celtic.

PHOTOS BY JULIE HANCOCK



CONTINUED FROM PAGE 44

Davies then kicked a home penalty to cut the visitors' lead to 18-22. A clever kick from Pencoed scrum half Ben Read brought the next try, Hiscocks racing onto the ball and taking the last ditch tackle to score. Davies converted from the touchline for a 25-22 lead.

The visitors then dropped a scoring pass with the line at their mercy! Pencoed then scored the try of the match, No 8 Gareth Prentice ripping the ball out near his own line to feed flanker Halse, who broke to halfway before sending Hiscocks racing away for his try hat-trick, and Pencoed led 30-22 going into the last quarter.

Richards' vision then caught Pencoed out, his cross kick perfectly placed for right wing Arthur to score his second try, Richards converting.

Despite the Pencoed pack finishing strongly at the set piece, it was the visitors' forwards Bywe and Goulden who got vital touchdowns to cement their lead.

To their credit the home side returned to the attack, and following another good scrummage, the backs moved the ball quickly to Pencoed man of the match Hiscocks to cross for his fourth try and a final scoreline of 35-39.

On Saturday Pencoed travelled to Brynamman, 2.30pm kick off.

PENCOED 2ND XV
36 WATTSTOWN
2ND XV 10

Pencoed were comfortable winners of this friendly match played at their Woodlands ground.

Five tries came from Nick Clift, Aaron Songhurst, skipper Gary Money, the evergreen Lee Powell and Keith David who, returning to Pencoed colours after taking up the whistle, also added four conversions and a penalty goal.

David and Songhurst at half-back made a number of breaks, and continually probed the Rhondda Valley side's defence. In what was a good all-round Pencoed performance, both centres, Liam Evans and Dan Farnham, also caught the eye of match observers with a strong defensive display.

On Saturday the 2nd XV host Pyle in the Mid Glamorgan District League, 2.30pm kick off.

SWANSEA UPLANDS YOUTH 18 PENCOED YOUTH 20

This was a good away win for Pencoed against a strong Swansea Uplands youth side in the Ospreys A League.

Pencoed's tries came from Sam Grant, James Tredray and captain Connor Jones, with Jamie Pensom adding a conversion, and Morgan Jones kicking a penalty goal.

The win was based on a solid defence and excellent lineup. First year youth prop forward Liam Parish gave a good all round performance, with full back Jones showing a penchant to attack.

Meanwhile, Pencoed under-15s proved far too strong for a plucky Gwerton side in the Ospreys Cup, emerging comprehensive 60-19 winners.

TR

BRIDGEND Sports under-15s faced Bryncoch Eagles in the first round of the Ospreys Cup.

With the chasers tearing up the field with one eye on the wind-buffed ball, which was proving hugely difficult for the catcher, we managed to reclaim the ball after a battle for possession. Eventually Ciaran would drive over with an outstretched arm and ground the ball, which was converted by Danny.

This early score seemed to unsettle the home side who seemed over eager to level the scoreboard resulting in giving away a penalty, slotted between the posts by Danny. With the weather causing difficulties for the backs, Dom secured a loose ball, the forwards keeping the ball close, and with an offload into the arms of a supporting Owen W, the under-15s scored a lovely try that was applauded by all, including Bryncoch coaches.

With the wind starting to ease, the Sports back row were now able to pass the ball, getting it to Tom and with a great run, he went over in the corner.

The Bryncoch defence was at sixes and sevens and with the deftest of touches the ball went into the hands of Scott who saw the opening and, sprinting from fullback, nothing was going to stop him; again this was converted by Danny.

A Bryncoch player was yellow-carded for foul play leaving a space in the defence to give Tom an opportunity to showing his pace and beat his opposite number for a try in the corner. The halftime score was 32-0.

The second half was a mixed bag with two Sports boys being yellow-carded, one for throwing the ball away (unsportsmanlike conduct) and the other for a perceived late tackle, resulting in the team being down to 13 players.

During this period, Bryncoch set up camp in our 22. It was at this point the boys were at their most heroic, thwarting wave after wave of attack. Our forwards were literally picking up their players and carrying them backwards, only for another wave to come! To Bryncoch's complete and utter frustration, it was to come to no avail.

Eventually the team returned to full strength and, five minutes from the end of the match, due to some clever positional kicking, Dom attacked from their 22 to break through for a converted try.

Mention must be given to Bryncoch for not giving up, battling in uncompromising conditions and they showed enormous character, allowing the Sports to score only once in the entire 40 minutes of the second half.

Congratulations boys! The final score was 39-0.

BRIDGEND SPORTS UNDER-14S 7 PORTHCAWL UNDER-14S 12

The Sports' second game of the season saw a competitive Porthcawl side visit.

Just before kick off, heavy rain started to fall, and this was the case for the duration of the game, which helped to make conditions tricky for both sides.

This resulted in a mainly forwards dominated game. The game started off with the Sports on top as they created a number of strong phases which ended up deep in the Porthcawl half.

Shortly after this period of play, Porthcawl broke the deadlock when their flanker scored an intercepted try from the Sports lineup. The Porthcawl outside half then converted the try just in front of the posts.

After this try, the Sports made a spirited comeback by coming close to scoring on several occasions. Flanker Joe Davis made several skillful runs in

the lead up to the Sports try, as prop Dewi Ronan crashed over the line to score a converted try which levelled the match. The conversion was successfully converted by Drew Price.

The score at halftime was 7-7, setting up a beautifully poised second half which saw Porthcawl creating sustained pressure in the Sports half.

However, the Sports defence was on top form and managed to keep the scores level for the first part of the half. Porthcawl took a quick penalty and made some quick passes before they raced over in the corner. The conversion fell just short and made the score 12-7 to Porthcawl.

The latter part of the second half saw the Sports give their all to win the match but they couldn't find a way through the Porthcawl defence. Overall the Sports can be encouraged by running a well-respected Porthcawl side close.

The boys can be pleased with their performances as they continue to grow as a side and this should put them in good shape for the future.

PORTHCAWL V BRIDGEND SPORTS UNDER 12S

The under-12s kicked off their season with a well deserved win in very difficult conditions over Porthcawl at a very wet and windy day at Rest Bay.

With the wind behind them they ran in two tries to one in the first half, scored by Ryan Morgan and Tom Hutt, and converted by Sam Veasey.

In the second half, with a strong headwind against them, they sealed the win with the last try scored by Ryan Morgan with a difficult conversion by Sam Veasey.

The final score was 21-10 to Sports, MVP went to the whole team - well done.

PORTHCAWL V SPORTS UNDER-10S

Bridgend Sports under-10s played away to Porthcawl RFC on a cold, wet and windy Sunday morning.

The Sports came up against a strong Porthcawl team who managed to disrupt the ruck area, which gave them the upper hand.

Sports stuck to their task with some of the boys putting in some strong defensive performances. In the second half, Sports made some good breaks but were kept out by a determined Porthcawl team.

The wet conditions contributed to a number of the handling errors but the Sports kept their heads up and played to the end. A difficult morning for the Sports but a good game for the spectators.

A good turnout for the away fixture; squad: Owain Peters, Morgan Rees, Rhys McNally, Rhys Vaughan, Josh Wilkinson, Rhys Chick, James Murray, Jared Phillip, Archie Faulkner-Lerway, William Littlewood, Will Price, Dom Manaseitau, Luke Yates, Mac Francis, Cullen Loynton, Rory Lee and Tom Gardner.

Training continues every Wednesday, 6pm to 7pm, on the Bandstand.

PORTHCAWL v BRIDGEND SPORTS UNDER 9S

Bridgend Sports under-9s travelled to Porthcawl RFC.

Again both sides had big squads, so it was decided to play four 1- minute games and in appalling conditions the two sides ended up drawing 13-13.

In the first game, the Sports had a slow start conceding two soft tries. Fynn Bull did pull one back, but the home side soon scored again after some poor tackling.

The Sports bounced back with a try from Jacob Hughes and another from Fynn, but Porthcawl ended the first game with a great solo effort try, winning 5-3.

In the second game, the Sports came out battling and won 4-3, with

three tries from Shea Duggan and one from Morgan Palethorpe. Shea opened the scoring in the third game with a great try, but the Sports went down a gear and let in three tries and lost the game 3-1.

With the Sports now losing overall 11-8, the game seemed lost with one game to go. However the Sports came out battling and Shea scored three tries to level the score.

Porthcawl never gave up and came back with two tries of their own to retain the lead.

With the rain now lashing down, the Sports kicked off and after a few phases of play Dan Hughes went over for his first try for the club to make it 13-12. With all to play for, Porthcawl

restarted but lost the ball.

The Sports took full advantage and after some hard running, the ball was superbly passed to Nathan Cox who then crashed over into the corner to salvage a draw.

Squad: Fynn Bull, Sam Barraclough, Oliver Cooke, Nathan Cox, Logan Davies, Shea Duggan, Max Harris, Max Hemsley, Dan Hughes, Jacob Hughes, Finley Loundes, Morgan Palethorpe, Curtis Trezise, Sam Jones and Joe Wilkinson.

MVP was awarded to Shea Duggan - another outstanding display again with superb tackling and seven fantastic tries.

VT

Keen racing in September kart meeting

ROUND seven of Llandow Kart Club's summer championship incorporated the first Llandow Kart Shop Rotax Cup, helping to boost total entries to 60 as the 2013 campaign began the run towards its November conclusion.

The Cup, proposed by the on-site Llandow Kart Shop and sponsored by Mark Collings, produced a handful of outside entries across the Junior Rotax, MiniMax, Senior Rotax and 177 classes, but the overall entry was once again hit by the loss of the Senior Honda class, which suffered from another clash with the Kartmania Challenge.

Three Bambino regulars - Nathan Browning, Ella Stevens and Jett Woodfield - kicked things off in damp conditions but, as the weather improved, so did their lap times, with each achieving a silver award.

As usual, the Cadet classes combined for the biggest grid of the day, with 16 Honda and five Comer runners being joined by an enlarged IAME contingent as Shay Keough faced 'competition' from novice Matthew Rees.

While the numbers may have changed, however, the names at the top of the podium were much the same, with in-form Celtic Cup champion Ethan Ling sweeping the Honda honours and Tom Rawlings coming out on top in Comer, despite Max Fenlon sneaking a heat win along the way.

Ling was joined on the Honda podium by Stuart Ferguson and Sebastian Marlow, while Rawlings stood over Joshua Davis and Fenlon. Unsurprisingly, the more experienced Keough won out in IAME, finishing a credible fourth on the road in

the combined final.

Despite the lure of Kartmania, Junior Honda numbers grew by one as Sofia Nardone joined brother Cristiano alongside regulars Kristian Prosser and Ainsley Shea-Godden. The novice acquitted herself well and was rewarded with both an unexpected third place in the final and rookie of the day honours, as heat winners Prosser and Nardone Sr battled to the line.

The combined Junior Max and MiniMax classes produced six runners, with Dunkswell's Izac Channing mixing it with the regulars, but it was Rob Ellis and Toby Allen who came out on top, splitting the heats between them before Ellis triumphed by a comfortable five seconds in the final.

Channing claimed third in the main event, ahead of David Spiller. In the absence of Jodie Handford, Brandon Patrick and Ceran Sokhi took up the MiniMax cudgels, but it was the former who came out on top, sweeping all four races by some margin to join Ellis as an inaugural LKS Rotax Cup champion.

The eight-strong Junior TKM field produced three different heat winners in Hugo Holmes, Ryan Edwards and Yousif Ashraf but, having for a taste for first place, Welsh champion Ashraf was not to be denied in the main event, heading Edwards and Louis Griffiths-Walker once Holmes was removed from the results.

With the Senior Hondas missing in action, the lone adult class saw Josh Collings dominate, claiming all four race wins en route to Rotax Cup honours. Jon Sweeper gave chase in heat two, but it was Sebastian Hutchinson who proved to be Collings' closest threat, taking three second places on the day. Third

place in the final went to September's 'driver of the day' Dilip Singh.

The returning Max 177 class was bolstered by interloper Terry Milton, but the Dunkswell member proved no match for the home club's Simon Wheeler, who claimed three of the four races, denied a sweep by Wayne Stone's win in the opening heat. Stone completed the class podium, with Nicky Coombs filling the gap between himself and Wheeler.

Results

Bambino: Silver Award - Nathan Browning (CRG); Ella Stevens (CK); Jett Woodfield (CRG).

Cadet Honda: 1. Ethan Ling (Project One); 2. Stuart Ferguson (Project One); 3. Sebastian Marlow (Project One).

Cadet Comer: 1. Tom Rawlings (Zip); 2. Joshua Davis (Zip); 3. Max Fenlon (Birel).

Cadet Iame: 1. Shay Keough (Shark); 2. Matthew Rees.

Junior Honda: 1. Kristian Prosser (7Kart); 2. Cristiano Nardone (7Kart); 3. Sofia Nardone.

Junior TKM: 1. Yousif Ashraf (Jade); 2. Ryan Edwards (Tonykart); 3. Louis Griffiths-Walker (Jade).

Junior Rotax: 1. Rob Ellis (Kosmic); 2. Toby Allen (CRG); 3. Izac Channing.

Mini Max: 1. Brandon Patrick (Kosmic); 2. Ceran Sokhi (Kosmic).

Senior Rotax: 1. Josh Collings (CRG); 2. Sebastian Hutchinson (Tonykart); 3. Dilip Singh (CRG).

Senior Rotax 177: 1. Simon Wheeler (CRG); 2. Nicky Coombs (Tonykart); 3. Wayne Stone (Tonykart).

Best novice: Sofia Nardone (Junior Honda).

Driver of the day: Dilip Singh (Senior Rotax).

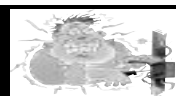
Report: Craig Llewellyn

Did you know you can read your GEM online? bridgend-today.co.uk



DO N'T DO IT YOURSELF

Call a professional
From our A-Z list



Aerials & Satellite

SONOS WiFi Wireless Sound Systems Supplied and Installed

ONE VISION
DIGITAL AERIAL & SATELLITE SERVICES INSTALLATIONS

Free Sky TV Dish & Sky Box Installation
Ring for Latest Subscription Package Deals
£60 CASH BACK for any New Sky Customer Taking a Subscription Package

SKY Repairs, adjustments and installations.
✓ Domestic & Commercial
✓ Discounts For Cops
✓ 24 Hour 7 Days Service
✓ 12 Month Guarantee
✓ RDR Approved Installers

FREE ESTIMATES SAME DAY SERVICE

Digital TV Aerials Supplied & Installed at competitive prices
CAT V extensions for Broadband and Smart TV
Get HD Picture Quality into every room via CAT V

Is Your Aerial Installer...?
Confederation of Aerial Installers
Certified Public Checklist
Using Industry Benchmarks Aerials, Cables and Accessories?

ONE VISION ARE!
Wall Mounted TV Installation Specialists
visit our website for examples

Call Paul Williams
Cowbridge 01446 439 306 Bridgend 01656 349 281

www.onevisionltd.co.uk

Blinds & Curtains

SALE NOW ON

3 for 2
Buy 3 blinds for the price of 2

This fantastic offer is for a limited time only, call us today

Probably Wales' Number 1 for:

- Blinds
- Shutters
- Awnings
- Canopies

solar blinds

SOLAR
North Road, Bridgend
Industrial Estate, Bridgend CF31 3TP
Tel: 01656 663800

DAYTONA
Unit 3F, Palmersvale Business Centre,
Palmerston Road, Barry
Tel: 01446 740842
www.solarsunshades.co.uk

VALE DIGITAL
DIGITAL AERIAL & SATELLITE SERVICES

SPECIAL OFFER!!!!
DIGITAL AERIAL COMPLETE
INSTALLATION FROM £60
EXTRA ROOMS £20 EACH

TV WALL MOUNTING & TV SET UP & TUNE IN SERVICE
ALL TYPES OF AERIAL & SATELLITES REPAIRED OR REPLACED
Tel. TIM on 07980 702229 / 01446 793189 ANYTIME

COMPETITIVE PRICES - FREE ESTIMATES - OAP DISCOUNTS - 7 DAY SERVICE
COVERING ALL AREAS

THE AERIAL MAN (Barry)
TV Aerial and Satellite Specialists

Poor Reception Problems
OAP Discount
Additional TV Points
Digital Aerial Installation
Freesat Installations
Free Home Visits

Call today for your FREE quotation

LOCAL PERSONAL SERVICE • ALL AREAS COVERED
01446 439 125 or 07818 413 451

Aerial & TV Repairs

TELE-ELECTRICAL SERVICING
Specialist repairs in TV, Video, DVD & Audio.
Installations, tuning and set-up service.
Tel: (01656) 654156 or 07792 887835

3 GOOD REASONS
1 FREE Fitting
2 FREE Quotation
3 5 Year Guarantee

BLINDS & CURTAINS
3 Vertical Blinds from **£99**

Freephone: 0500 295192
Made in Wales.....Proud to be Welsh

Mirage Blinds
One offer per Household - Selected Ranges
Maximum 60"x60"

1st Digital Aerials
Local Digital Aerial Specialist
Digital Aerials Installed & Repaired.
Set Up and Tune In Service.

SPECIAL OFFER - £60
Complete Installation plus £20 per extra room

Problems with:
• Missing Channels • Freezing • Breaking Up
Call Adrian on 07999 331 160 or Barry 01446 743267
www.1st-digital.co.uk

Vale Satellite and Solar Maintenance Service
Ex BskyB Specialist Engineer
Satellite dishes fitted /Repaired
Sky Magic Eyes, Re-cable and Freesat installed, Solar Panels, Gutters, Conservatories, Patios, Driveways etc cleaned.

Like us on Facebook • Text or Tel 07546318460
E-Mail: info@valesas.co.uk • www.valesas.co.uk

Chimney Sweep

BLIND SALE!

STARLINE
Awnings & Blinds

Unit 3 & 4, Western Industrial Estate, Caerphilly
CF83 1BQ • **www.starline-blinds.co.uk**

GENUINE 15% OFF SALE

TEL (029) 2086 0631

Building Services

R.J.T. PLASTERING & GENERAL BUILDER
Flat/Fibre Glass, Roofs, Damp Proofing, Refurbishments.
Best Prices.
Free estimates.
01446 450088 or 07920 195775

GRABit
Loads from £150 + VAT.
Stone & Aggregate deliveries.
01446 700535

BARRY & VALE DAMP & TIMBER TREATMENT
SOLVING ALL YOUR DAMP PROBLEMS

01446 420784
07970 642537
www.barryandvaledampproofing.co.uk

Davem BUILDER
Extensions, Loft Conversions, New Build etc

Tel: 01656 858997
Mob: 07970 764590

VALE CONSTRUCTION

- ALL GENERAL BUILDING WORK
- ROOFING
- BRICKWORK
- DRIVEWAYS

01446 488698

Clear Soot
Hotas Registered

SWEEPING & INSTALLATIONS
Efficient, reliable, no mess.
Insurance certificates issued.
Tel. 07890 857238
google me @ **guldofmastersweeps**

Computer Services

AB COMPUTER SERVICES
TUITION - BROADBAND WIRELESS NETWORKS REPAIRS & INSTALLATION

For home or office
Tel: 07811 422 946
27 High St, Cowbridge
www.cowbridge-it.co.uk

HD Computer Solutions

- All problems fixed
- Fast, reliable, on-site service
- Friendly advice freely given
- No fix, no fee
- Free callout

Tel 01446 773158
07779 713604 anytime

MASONWISE BUILDERS
Established since 1979

- Extensions
- Disabled Grant Work
- Roofing & Repairs
- Conservatories
- Patio & Drives

No Job Too Small
Free Estimates
masonwise.builders@hotmail.com
44 Newlands Street, Barry

Glamorgan Property Maintenance
General Property Maintenance & Building Work

"We do it all"
01446 711023
or 07950 004049
info@gpmaintenance.co.uk

D.P. BUILDING SERVICES

- Kitchens
- Bathrooms
- Extensions
- Plastering
- Carpentry
- Joinery
- Roofing
- Brickwork
- Conservatories

NO JOB TOO SMALL
Tel: **01446 711968**
07831 655429

Robin Jones Builder
30 years Experience

All building repairs & maintenance undertaken:

- Decking
- Fencing
- Bathrooms & Kitchens
- Roofing & Plastering etc.

01446 402830

GRIFFITHS CARPENTRY
All aspects of carpentry work

Professional, Friendly, Caring Service | Weekend Calls Welcome

- Kitchen Refurbishments
- Bespoke Wardrobes
- Fencing
- Decking
- Flooring
- Doors

Contact Rhys on 01446 790384 / 07803 696451
www.rgriffithscarpentryservices.com

CALL NOW FOR A FREE QUOTE
Kitchens & Carpentry
Plumbing
Electrical
Painting/Decorating
Plastering/Rendering
contact@ark-carpentry.co.uk
02920 09 72 72

Cleaning Services

Professional Driveway Cleaning
For sample area cleaned free of charge
Call **07767 578727**
www.attractive-driveways.co.uk

CCMS (Wales) Ltd
GUTTER CLEANING & FASCIA WASH
01446 741460
07830 480569

Carpet Services

STEVE SEGUST FLOORING
Carpet Fitting, Refitting & Repair Service Available
- Est 1987 -
Choose from the comfort of your own home.
Free quotations, fitting, underlay and gripper.
All types of flooring available with a huge range of samples to choose from.
Best prices around.
Call any time...
01656 768120
or 07774 807111

VALE CARPETS
The Carpet Shop that comes to you
100's of Carpet & Vinyl samples
Established since 1980
Also Carpet, Upholstery Cleaning
Tel: Paul Wright
01446 751152
07811 092477

Decorating Services

House Renovation-Decor Service
30 years experience
• Ceilings replaced
• Artex Skimmed
• Interior/Exterior Painting
• Bathrooms & Kitchens Replaced
• Tile & Laminate Flooring
Free Estimates & Advice
02920 254589
07828 626743
07756 334985

Decorating Services

Bryan Hicks
Painting & Decorating Specialist
Est 1981
Interior - Exterior
01446 776203
07544 169855

STADRE
PAINTING & DECORATING
• Interior/Exterior
• Clean, Friendly
• Professional
• No job too small
07791 752532
grussell@live.co.uk

STEVE AIREY
Decorating Services
Internal & External
Painting, Decorating, Covering.
Fully qualified.
01446 795520
07891 768151

TOM EASTMENT
INTERIOR PAINTER & DECORATOR
Clean, tidy & reliable
01446 750114
07714 194679

Double Glazing

All Double Glazing Repairs & Maintenance
pvc-U, Aluminium & Timber Windows
• Misted Units inc. Bevels & Stains
• Broken Handles/Hinges
• Door Locks Repaired & Upgraded
• Replacement Door Panels
• New Rubber Seals
• Fully Qualified Locksmith
01656 788403
Mobile: 07515 860113
33 Philadelphia Road, Porthcawl CF36 3DP
www.bridgendwindows.com

STEVE MOLONEY
Double glazing repairs.
Hinges, handles, misted up sealed units, complete repair service available.
Established 1979.
01656 783594
or 07877 558525

WINDOW AND DOOR REPAIR SERVICE

OVER 30 YEARS EXPERIENCE IN ALL ASPECTS OF UPVC AND ALUMINIUM WINDOW AND DOOR REPAIR
Do you have any of the following problems...?

Misted-up Double Glazing • Broken Hinges
Seized Patio Door Rollers • Faulty door Locks
Seized Handles • Draughts • Broken Letter Box • Leaks, etc
If so phone for a free estimate and advice

FREEPHONE COWBRIDGE 0800 169 5171
We offer a competitive and friendly service to the Vale and surrounding area
TRY US FOR NEW UPVC WINDOWS AND DOORS
8 am - 8 pm (7 days)

Window Tec UK
• Window and Door Repair •

MC WINDOWS
Upvc Windows, Doors, Conservatories, Porches, Fascias, Soffits, Gutters, Sealed Units, All Maintenance. 25yrs exp.
Call Martyn on:
01446 796795
or 07712 631772
martyn.george73@hotmail.co.uk

WELSH WINDOW SYSTEMS
Est. 1987
Repairs to all UPVC & aluminium windows & doors
01446 749821
07877 836798

01446 774484

The GEM

Disposal Services

FLOYDS ENVIRONMENTAL
• Septic Tank •
• Cesspit Emptying •
• Treatment Plants •
Floyds is a well established service
07970 809096
01656 722665
floyds@homecall.co.uk

Electrical Services

Dave Reffell
Electrical Services
Approved Contractor
Domestic Installer Scheme
Free Quotations
01446 751743
07743 500149
dmreffell@hotmail.co.uk

ELECTRICAL REPAIRS
Washing Machines, Cookers, Fridge/Freezers, Tumble Dryers, Ovens, Hobs, Hoods, Built-in or Freestanding Appliances.
APPLIANCE CENTRE
01446 700206/730884

LK Electrical
All types of Electrical work undertaken.
Testing, Inspection & Certification
07891 965150
01446 403072

Cowbridge & Vale Electrical
R.J.B.
All electrical installation works carried out.
Emergency call-out, re-wires, sockets, lights, Security.
01446 771655
07885 347642
National Inspection Council for Electrical Installation Contracting
Approved Contractor

REPAIRS
Washing Machines Electric Cookers, Tumble Dryers, etc
Repaired in your own home
Freephone 0800 2984518
Barry 744117

Lilford Electrical
Design, installation and testing for homes and businesses
Contact Rob:
01446 796905
07747 858514
rlilford@gmail.com
Fast • Polite • Professional

Garage Door Services

GARAGE DOOR SERVICES
The garage door specialists
All types of doors supplied, fitted & repaired
Over 15 years experience.
Same day repairs.
07783 703366
01446 743181
www.gdsdoors.co.uk

Gas Bottles

Gas Services
35 years established company
C.S.Boxall Ltd.
INSTALLATION, SERVICE & BREAKDOWNS
for all Gas, Oil, Solid Fuel, LPG
Static Homes, Caravans, Etc
Gas, Landlord Safety Checks
plus Electrical Services
by fully qualified indentured Service Engineers
Call 01446 772444

R&I
WE SELL BOTTLED GAS
Free Local Delivery and Collection
Tel. 01446 771999
Unit 20, Vale Business Park, Llandow
www.randt.co.uk

GAS Services
Combination Boiler & LPG Specialist
Competitive & Reliable
01446 796263
07814 394378

Handyman Services

K&A Handyman
"A family run business"
All aspects of general maintenance, carpentry, painting, decorating, carpet cleaning, gardening, garden & household rubbish clearance.
No task too big or small, just ask!
Contact: 07970 711879 or 01446 720840

Garden Services

Garden & Landscaping Services
Award Winning Landscapers & Driveway Installers
• Patios • Decking • Fencing •
• Block Paved & Resinbond Driveways •
• Walling • Water Features/Ponds • Turfing •
www.gardenandlandscapeservices.co.uk
Nick: 07790 166480 or 01446 710736
info@gardenandlandscapeservices.co.uk

Complete Garden Services
FENCING • DECKING • TREES FELLED, HEDGES AND LAWNS • WALLS, PATHS AND PATIOS
Telephone: 01446 419428
or 07765 611753

W&J Lewis GARDEN SERVICES
For all types of garden work.
07830 228877
01446 406457

Arborwood Tree Care
Tree pruning • Crown lifting
Tree felling • Dangerous tree work
Pollarding • Dead wooding • Hedge cutting
Tree dismantling • Root pruning
Ground clearance
Call us for a friendly, free quote. Fully insured.
Tel: 07910 417471 or 01446 792262

JW Decking
Est. 1999
BESPOKE TIMBER DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION
• Equestrian Buildings
• Decking, Gazebo's, Pergolas
• Fencing
• Workshops & Sheds
01446 772139 / 07725 811207
www.jwdecking.co.uk

NDP GARDEN and PROPERTY MAINTENANCE
Grass Cutting, Weeding
Shrubs & Hedges Trimmed,
Tree Felling,
Fencing, Turfing,
Gutters & Fascias Cleaned
Drives, Patios, Roofs, etc.
Power Washed.
• Free Estimates
• Reliable Family Team
01446 773935
or 07773 992704

Roofing Services
ROOFTEC ROOFING SERVICE
New slate/ tile/flat roofs.
Also fibreglass flat roofs.
All aspects of uPVC guttering, fascias, downpipes, etc.
Chimney/ valley repairs.
House maintenance work carried out.
No job too small.
Guaranteed competitive rates.
Tel. (01656) 722593
Mobile: 07969 248688.
Free estimates
24 hour emergency call out.

Roofing Services

Roofing specialists
S. MIDDLETON & SON
We cover all aspects of roofing including Firestone EPDM Flat Roofing Rubber Systems
www.middletonroofing.co.uk

01446 404838
Silvey Roofing
• New Roofs/Repairs
• UPVC Guttering & Fascias
FREE ESTIMATES
www.silveyroofing.co.uk

Garden Services

RIVERLEIGH Horticulture
SALES - SERVICE - REPAIRS - SPARES
WINTER SERVICE DEALS NOW AVAILABLE
Most makes serviced and repaired
Collection service available
LAWN MOWERS • RIDE-ONS • CHAINSAWS • STRIMMERS
HEDGE CUTTERS AND GARDEN ACCESSORIES
Vale Business Park, Llandow, Cowbridge CF71 7PF
Tel: 01446 775602
HEDGE CUTTERS

BRIDGE VALE TREE SERVICES
Specialists in Large/Dangerous Trees
FELLING, PRUNING, CROWN REDUCTION, THINNING OUT AND TOTAL DISMANTLING
HEDGE CUTTING & FENCING AVAILABLE
HIGHLY QUALIFIED/INSURED
SITE CLEARANCE
- FREE QUOTES -
Tel: 01446 713857
or 07921 902729



DON'T DO IT YOURSELF

Call a professional
From our A-Z list



Plumbing Services

GAM Plumbing & Heating
01446 735 681 or 07815 097 994 24hrs
Combination Boiler Specialist
Annual Boiler Service only £40
For all your plumbing and heating requirements
All Work Guaranteed. Fully Insured.
Fast, Friendly Service.

S.M. Vaughan
HEATING & PLUMBING - DOMESTIC & COMMERCIAL
• Boilers • Pipework • Radiators
• Gas Safety Certificates
• Fires Servicing • LPG Specialists
• Static Homes/Caravans/Boats
01446 734733 • Mob 07976 790096
Unit 11, Ty Verion Ind. Estate, Barry

JW Bathrooms
• Plumbing • Tiling
• Plastering • Wet Rooms
Free estimates
No job too small
01446 400225
07866 470754

JOHN SARTAIN
Plumbing & Tiling

01446 794266

GASP Services
All aspects of Plumbing
NO JOB TOO SMALL
Competitive & Reliable
01446 796263
07814 394378

Dave The Gas
All heating and plumbing work undertaken, free estimates, no job too small!
Tel: 07779 598844 or 01446 421006

Removal Services

MAN WITH A VAN
Low hourly rate, no job too small, fully insured.
01656 861120
07789 075104

DC Plumbing
• NO call out charge
• Flexible hours
• No job too small
Call Dave on:
Tel: 01446 413971
Mobile: 0779 263 0939

M MARTYN PLUMBING SERVICES
For all your plumbing needs. No job too small!
07526 125982
or 01446 753503

Plastering Services

GUY FORD Quality Plastering Service
No job too small
FREE QUOTES
07812093098

Cowbridge & Vale PLASTERERS
All Interior and Exterior work
Free Quotes
Tel. 01446 774899
0781 685 7935

Telephone Broadband

ARDENT TELEPHONE WIRING
Local Telephone and Broadband Engineer.
Extensions and Faults.
Internet connection issues.
Tel 07787 380972
ardent.wiring@hotmail.co.uk

Upholstery Services

Susan Viant Re-upholstery
All aspects of re-upholstery undertaken.
Call
01656 724005
01656 720722 (evenings)

School of Motoring

Cats Eyes Driving School Ltd
• Lessons from £10.99 • Instructor training
• Learn from 14 years of age
• One week crash courses including test
• Automatic Vehicles now available
0800 0280 406
www.catsyesdrivingschool.co.uk

LANEWISE DRIVING SCHOOL
First 3 hours from £39 for total beginners
01446 719555
07798 501267

Tiling Services

Bonny Tiler
Wall & Floor Tiling Specialists
Full Bathroom and Wetroom installation
Professional, Friendly & Reliable Service
01446 796582 / 07854 168459
www.bonnytiler.co.uk

Tutor Services

TUITION
Qualified & experienced teacher offering tuition of English, French and Spanish to both children and adults (beginners up to A-Level).
Tel: 01446 420035 or 07814 257641

Wanted

SUTTONS Auto Salvage
£125 minimum paid on collection, for scrap, MOT failures, and tax expired vehicles.
Also body shells and scrap metals collected.
No wheels, no problem.
02920 597887
07971 648596

Wanted

SBS SALVAGE Ltd
BEST PRICES PAID FOR UNWANTED SCRAP
£1 to £100,000
Cars, Vans, Heavy Iron, Engines, Copper, Brass, Lead, Aluminium, etc...
All vehicles disposed of in a correct & legal manner.
07772 054534 or 01446 421034

MRC TRADING
• MOT failures
• Insurance write offs
• Accident damaged
• Up to £5000 cash paid
• All scrap and unwanted vehicles
• Registered with Environment Agency & Council
01446 738496 or 07531 782162
PART WORN TYRES SUPPLIED, FITTED & BALANCED

Why not advertise your trade in the GEM pages & reach potential Vale customers.
Call **01446 774484**

Wanted

SCRAP YOUR CAR LEGALLY
Avoid the cell - USE A&L!

A&L
all over S. Wales
Collection within 1 hour
VEHICLE RECYCLING & SCRAP METALS

We buy any: Car, Van, Lorry, Bus, Scrap Metal, Gold and Silver etc.
UP TO £20,000 IMMEDIATE PAYMENT
We will beat any price locally **REALLY!** for:
Copper, Lead, Brass, Aluminium, Stainless Steel, Household Wire, Armour Cable, etc.

ONLY licensed company
Registered with the DVLA and Environmental Agency in Barry
We collect:
insurance or 3rd party writeoffs • Car Shells
Engines & Gearboxes
Call us today on **01446 701707**
(24 Hours)
NEW & USED TYRES
fitted at competitive rates

Motors For Sale

NISSAN MICRA 1.0
Red, 3 door, 66,000 miles, VGC. MOT & Tax January 2014.
£700 ono
01446 773166

Vauxhall Agila 2001 (51)
Silver, taxed to end May 2014, MOT to Sept 2014. Many new parts.
£700 ono
07760 114079

BUYING A NEW CAR?
Advertise your old one with us
Telephone Gareth
01446 774484

Wanted

DH Solutions - Vehicle Traders
Scrap or not we buy the lot CASH
£200 minimum - Any vehicle with at least 3 months MoT in good working order
We buy all cars, vans, lorries and plant.
£150 minimum any vehicle up to £50,000 cash paid
Free collection for all vehicles at a time to best suit you.
£100 minimum any vehicle pre 1993 L Registration
All vehicles quotes are on a complete vehicle basis with all the factory components. All unserviceable vehicles disposed of in a correct and legal manner.
No wheels, no problem
www.scrapmetalvehicletrader.co.uk
07785 943145 or 01446 728137

Articles For Sale

ADVERTISE HERE £12 inc. VAT - box for 2 weeks. To take advantage of this offer simply either send in your description along with a cheque for the appropriate amount made payable to 'The Glamorgan GEM' at The GEM, Graig House, 53 Eastgate, Cowbridge CF71 7EL or telephone us with your wording by 12 noon Tuesday. All major credit cards accepted. Tel 01446 774484. Advert must contain a residential land line telephone number. You may alter your advert as items are sold. Sorry no refunds are given.

ELECTRIC BINGO MACHINE
Includes raffle, tote draws. Must collect.
£50
01446 711793

Light Oak Kitchen
6 top cupboards, 2 glass fronted, 6 base units, 4 drawers, unit for built-in oven & larder unit.
£450 ono
01446 710727

KYMC0 MOBILITY SCOOTER
Brand new, never been used.
£500 ono
01446 408317

TOWER SCAFFOLDING
Bankrupt Stock: New galvanised 6ft x 4ft, 20ft working height. Complete with cross braces, safety rails.
£225 free delivery
Tel. 07836 270723

MAYFAIR 4 MOBILITY SCOOTER
Burgundy, good condition.
£375 ono
07813 132919

Arc Welder
Input 230v AC, Output 40-100 amp 48v. Headset & shield, assorted welding rods. All boxed & unused.
£35
01446 421193

5 White Interior 4 Panel Doors
1981 x 762mm
£50
01446 774915

HELPING YOU SAVE MONEY... SELL YOUR CAR ONLY £20 + VAT



For 2 weeks advertising delivered to more than 43,000 homes.
HOW?
Simply call **01446 774484** today with your credit card details or make cheques payable to: **The GEM**, Graig House, 53 Eastgate, Cowbridge CF71 7EL. (This offer is open to private advertisers only)

Situations Vacant

Carrie Elspeth

Carrie Elspeth Ltd is an award winning jewellery design and manufacturer based in Llandow. We are currently looking for two talented people to join our growing team.

Jewellery Stock Controller

Responsible for the movement and administration of jewellery and stock components throughout the company. The job is full time (although slightly reduced hours may be considered.) Main duties would include stock checks, preparing raw components for manufacture, goods issues and receipts and controlling stock accuracy.

Jewellery Purchaser

A crucial role within the company: the purchaser is responsible for the procurement of all the raw components in the company. The role also involves forecasting, analysis, dealing with suppliers and budget control. Training will be provided, but experience an advantage. Would suit extremely organised person, strong excel skills, keen eye for detail, and a strong team player who cares and works well under pressure.

For a Fact sheet and an application form please email trina@carrieelspeth.com

Congratulations

Congratulations
Erin Linda Gamble
for achieving 5 Gold Medals
in your gymnastic competition

We are all very proud of you.
Lots of love
Paul, Linda and Kits xxx

Anniversaries

Congratulations
Thelma & Tony
Peters

on their
Diamond Wedding Anniversary
on 19 September 2013
With love and best wishes
from all the family xxx
'Who said it would never last?'

Public Notices

RHYBUDD O WNEUD GORCHYMYN
(AC EITHRIO GORCHYMYN DIDOYMU
HAWLIAU O DAN DOEDD
CAFFAEL TIR)
DEDOF PRIFYRDD 1989
CYNGOR BRO MORGANNWG
LLWYBR CYHOEDDUS RHIF 2 SAINT
HILARI GORCHYMYN GWYRO LLWYBR
CYHOEDDUS 2013

Bydd y gorchymyn uchod, a wnaed ar 26 Awst 2013, o dan Adran 119 o Ddeddf Prifffyrdd 1989, yn gwyro Llywybr Cyhoeddus Rhif 2 Saint Hilari a gyfliniedd A-B i gyfliniedd C-D-B fel y'i dangosir ar fap y gorchymyn.

Mae copi o'r gorchymyn a'r map wedi'i ddarparu, a chwech ei well yn rhad ac am ddim yn Swyddfa'r Dociau, Dociau'r Barri, Y Barri, CF63 4RT yn ystod oriau swyddfa arferol. Cewch brynysu copi o'r map a'r gorchymyn yn y fan honno am £4.50 yr un.

Dylais gynnwys unrhyw sylwadau neu wrthwynebiadau sydd gennych i'r gorchymyn mewn llythyr, a'i anfon at Gyfarwyddwr Gwasanaethau Datblygu Cyngor Bro Morgannwg, Swyddfa'r Dociau, Dociau'r Barri, Y Barri, CF63 4RT erbyn 17 Hydref 2013, gan nodi'r rhesymau dros eich ymateb.

Os na ddaw sylwadau neu wrthwynebiadau i law, neu os caiff y rhai a dderbyniwyd eu tynnu'n ôl, bydd Cyngor Bro Morgannwg yn rhydd i gadarnhau bod y Gorchymyn yn ddilysweddus. Os caiff y gorchymyn ei anfon i Llywodraeth Cymru ar gyfer ei gadarnhau, bydd y sylwadau a'i gwrthwynebiadau nas tynnwyd yn ôl, yn cael eu hanfon ar yr un pryd.

Dyddiedig 19 Medi 2013



**NOTICE OF MAKING OF
AN ORDER (OTHER
THAN AN ACQUISITION
EXTINGUISHMENT ORDER)**

**HIGHWAYS ACT 1980
THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL
PUBLIC FOOTPATH NO 2 ST HILARY
PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION
ORDER 2013**

This above order, made on the 28th day of August 2013, under Section 119 of the Highways Act 1980, will divert the Public Footpath No 2 St Hilary from the alignment A-B to the alignment C-D-B as shown on the order map.

A copy of the order and the order map have been placed and may be seen free of charge at The Docks Office, Barry Docks, Barry, CF63 4RT during normal office hours. Copies of the order and map may be bought there at the price of £4.50.

Any representations about or objections to the order may be sent in writing to the Director of Development Services, Docks Office, Barry Docks, Barry, CF63 4RT not later than the 17th day of October 2013. Please state the grounds on which they are made.

If no such representations or objections are duly made, or if any so made are withdrawn, the Vale of Glamorgan Council may confirm the order as an unopposed order. If the order is sent to the Welsh Government for confirmation any representations and objections which have not been withdrawn will be sent with the order.

Dated this 19th day of September 2013

Family Notices

NIXON

Donald James (Nic)

Peacefully at College Fields Nursing Home, Barry on September 12th, Nic, formerly of Borough Avenue, Barry. Dearly beloved husband of the late Joan, much loved dad of Angela, Andrew and Ceri, adored bampy to all his grandchildren.

Resting at AG Adams & Son, Tynwydd Funeral Home, Gladstone Road, Barry, until his funeral service in the chapel on Monday, September 23rd at 2pm, followed by cremation at the Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry at 3pm. Family flowers only, but donations in lieu of flowers to the Parkinson's Disease Society.

JEFFERY Desmond

On 12 September 2013, after a short illness, Des of Llantwit Major. Dearly loved husband of Cindy, loving father of Sarah, Will and Nick and a much loved grandfather of Rhiannon, Ariadne, Eleanor and Cara. He will be sadly missed by his family and friends.

Funeral service on Friday 20th September in Coychurch Crematorium at 1.45pm. No flowers, but donations in lieu may be made to R.N.L.I. c/o the Funeral Director (cheques only). All enquiries to W.A. Brown & Son, College St, Llantwit Major. 01446 792489.

SMITH Olive

Suddenly after a short illness on September 13th at Llandough Hospital, Olive, aged 91 years of Barry. Beloved wife of the late Edward William (Ted), loving mother to Ruth, June and the late Peter, mother-in-law to Mike and John. Cherished grandmother, great grandmother and great great grandmother. Olive will be sadly missed by all her family and friends.

Resting at AG Adams & Son Funeral Home, Gladstone Road, Barry, where flowers may be sent until the funeral on Tuesday, September 24th - service in the chapel at 12.30pm, followed by cremation at Barry Crematorium at 1.30pm.

BROWN

**Arnold Anthony
(Tony)**

Peacefully at Llandough Hospital, on September 7, Tony of Millward Road, Barry.

Dearly beloved husband of Sylvia, much-loved dad of Jodie and Antony. Loved father-in-law of Reanne and Dylan. Adored Bampy of Caitlin, Ceri, Maisie, James and Noah. Much loved brother of Cilla and Ronnie.

Resting at AG Adams & Son, Tynwydd Funeral Home, Gladstone Road, Barry, until his funeral service in the chapel on Friday, September 20 at 9.30am, followed by interment at Barry Cemetery at 10.30am. Flowers may be sent to the funeral home.

YATES Sidney

On August 31, 2013, peacefully at Springbank Nursing Home, Barry, Sidney aged 104 years.

Funeral service at the Moravian Church, Lower Wyke at 2pm on Friday October 4.

Donations in lieu of flowers to NSPCC and Ty Hafan Children's Hospice. All enquiries to Charles Wood Funeral Service, Bramston Street, Brighouse, HD6 3AA. Tel 01484 720811.

BAYÓN

José Maria (Peter)

Peacefully, at home, on the 11th September, after a long illness. Much loved husband, adored father and cherished grandfather. Your smile will remain forever in our hearts. Te queremos.

Service to be held at Coychurch Crematorium on Monday 23rd September at 3.15pm. No flowers by request. Welcome donations to Marie Curie Hospice, Bridgeman Road, Penarth, CF64 3YR.

BROWNING Fred

Glynn Browning and family would like to sincerely thank everyone who attended his father Fred's funeral.

Thank you for all the lovely sympathy messages, cards and flowers received.

Also, thank you to all who visited him in Holme Towers and all the staff there, who do a truly amazing job.

MORGAN

Jean (née Carnes)

Died peacefully on Thursday, September 12, on the Neale & Kent Ward in Barry Hospital.

Beloved wife of Bob, loving mother of Christine and Robert. Much loved grandmother, great-grandmother and mother-in-law.

Funeral service to be held at St Mary's Church, Barry, on Friday, September 27 at 2.00pm, followed by cremation at Cardiff & Vale Crematorium, Barry at 3.00pm. Family flowers only, with welcome donations to Neale & Kent Ward, Barry Hospital (cheques made payable to Gerry Adams/Jill Adams), which may be made during the retiring collection following the service. All enquiries to Park Independent Funeral Directors on 01446 421212.

BROADBENT Eric

Passed away at Llandough Hospital, on September 3rd 2013, aged 89 years. A much loved husband of Sylvia, and an adored father of Julie and her partner David. Eric was loved and respected by so many and will be sadly missed.

Funeral service to be held at the Cardiff and Vale Natural Burial Ground, The Tumble, on Friday, September 27th at 2.00pm. Family flowers only please but donations in lieu would be appreciated to the Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust, via www.wwt.org.uk/support. Any enquiries to Green Willows Funerals. Tel. (029) 20755 555.

CLASSIFIEDS

- Family Announcements
- Recruitment
- Buying & Selling
- Trade • Property
- Birthdays
- Anniversaries
- Graduation • Births etc

Use **The GEM**
to reach all the people
you need to!

Call 01446 774484
for friendly, helpful advice.
gemsales@tindlenews.co.uk

Wanted

Vinny's Vinyl
Records & CDs bought & sold for cash
AT BARRY MARKET EVERY TUES
Tel 07450 460062

**SPECIALIST IN RARE
RECORDS, POP
MEMORABILIA & GIFTS**

House Clearance

**ANDREW WILLIAMS
HOUSE
CLEARANCES
FULL/PART**
Over 20 years experience.
Sympathetic handling
of deceased estates,
used by estate agents
and solicitors.
**01446 409266
07885 251742**

Funeral Directors

W. A. Brown & Son
Funeral Directors
Contactable 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
• Funeral pre-payment plans
• Memorial masonry
Pembroke House,
College Street, Llantwit Major
01446 792 489

Property

TO LET
AVAILABLE OCTOBER
1-Bedroom self contained
fully furnished
garage conversion
Nr Cowbridge, Garden & Parking
£600 pcm
To include water rates.
Non smokers only. No pets.
Tel: 07948 303735

The GEM

Why not
advertise your
trade in the
GEM pages &
reach potential
Vale customers.
Call
01446 774484

ESCORTED HOLIDAYS



**Elvis Presley's
Memphis, New
Orleans & Nashville**

Flying direct from Heathrow
Departs February - November 2014

Join us for an unforgettable journey through America's musical heartland, from the extraordinary 'Big Easy', the birthplace of the 'King' and his beloved hometown, to the undisputed capital of Country Music.

Price includes • Montgomery, Alabama • New Orleans - the laid-back 'Big Easy' • Visit Elvis' birthplace • Memphis, Tennessee • Nashville - Country Music capital • Journey through sleepy Alabama • 'Chattanooga Choo-Choo' station hotel • Return flights • Seven nights' accommodation in comfortable hotels • Coach travel throughout • Tour Manager services

www.newmarket.travel/glg15010

0843 316 1166 quoting code GLG

Newmarket Air Holidays Ltd. 107541012. AFCL 1000002005. Subject to availability. Single supplements apply. Cash cost no per minute. Save £25 per person on bookings made between 1st & 31st September 2013 on selected 2014 & 2015 or holidays to a city promotional code 391785. Offer may be withdrawn at any time.

More success for Llantwit life savers!



"On your marks... Get set... GO!"



Flying the flag for Llantwit Major Lifesavers!



FOLLOWING the recent success of Llantwit Major Surf Lifesaving Masters Team in the GB Championships, a small team travelled to White Sands Bay in St Davids on September 7 to compete in the Welsh Surf Life Saving Championships.

The weather forecast was for a miserable, wet weekend, but the 12-strong team and their

supporters were not put off.

On the day, the weather turned out to be favourable and there were some good waves rolling onto the beach, which promised to make the competition interesting.

The team gained medals from the very first event and this success continued throughout the day. Even those not getting medal places gained valuable points, which went towards the overall league table.

By the end of the day, Pen-y-bont Surf Lifesaving club took first place, Rhose took

second place and a proud Llantwit Major Surf Lifesaving club took third place.

The team, made up of Gethin Edwards, Ben Thomas, Dewi Edwards, Ian Edwards, Stuart Sherman, John Parsons, Huw Beynon, Gruff Lucas, Natalie McDonagh, Cath Thomas, Sarah Boyd and Steph Robinson, would like to thank all the officials, judges, IRB crews and other teams & competitors for making it such a good competition.



Barry RFC defeated by Llantwit Major

BARRY RFC travelled to Llantwit Major for a local derby, which always brings out the competitive edge of both teams, and Saturday was no different.

Barry started the game with the advantage of the slope and immediately set out their intention of playing open rugby, and with forwards and backs linking well, were rewarded with a try in the first two minutes, with the hosts conceding a penalty try, perhaps an indication of how they would play the game.

Llantwit, due to indecision from the restart, came back on the offensive, and following some good defensive play, Barry finally conceded a penalty to let the home side back into the game.

Llantwit were also keen to keep the ball moving and constantly threatened with counter attacks, but defensively Barry were sound, with strong tackling by the back row especially, albeit incurring the wrath of the referee on a few occasions.

Barry continued with their attacking intentions and were rewarded by another penalty award, which could, and possibly should, have resulted in a further penalty try or a card at least.

However, Barry again failed to secure the kick off

and conceded another penalty, allowing the home side to reduce the deficit to four points after 30 minutes.

Following a superb 40-metre drive by the Barry forwards, the ball was lost; from the resulting chase, despite knock-ons by both sides, the referee awarded a fortunate try for the home side to give them a 13-10 advantage at halftime.

As expected Llantwit attacked from the restart, with Barry making changes, but as they had shown throughout the game, the defence on all fronts was effective in stopping the home side from creating much in attack. They relied heavily on kicking for territory, which was finally rewarded with a penalty to increase the lead to six points.

Unfortunately, Barry were reduced to 14 men, having used their replacements, with Scott having to leave the field, and Llantwit took advantage of the extra space with a quick threequarter movement, which succeeded in breaching the Barry defence to add a further try and conversion to make the score 23-10, which in no way reflected the game. **AJ**

Dip into Multisport!

THE fun of water sports is being spearheaded with free kayaking sessions at Cosmeston Lake, Penarth.

Multisport Wales, supported by Natural Resources Wales, has already encouraged close on 200 people to enjoy the fun of kayaking by offering free sessions with all the equipment included.

"It's a great way to get onto the water. Kayaking offers a fabulous outdoor experience in beautiful surroundings for singles and families alike," said Maria Leijerstam of Multisport Wales.

It doesn't take long to master the art and for those with a competitive

spirit, there are a series of 'bum' events to become involved with, including two in October.

Margam Park's Mini Burn on October 5 is a great place to test new skills. It involves a 3k run, 10k mountain biking, 1k kayak and 2k orienteering. It is a pair and team of four event.

For those who want an even greater challenge, there is the Cardiff Burn on October 27 at Llandaff Rowing Club.

All details are online www.burnseries.co.uk; for more information email adrianneleijerstam@gmail.com or telephone 07771 700606.

AL

THIS IS A PUBLIC INFORMATION ADVERT

DID YOU KNOW THAT DRIVING ON ONE ILLEGAL TYRE COULD MEAN THREE POINTS ON YOUR DRIVING LICENCE.

FOUR TYRES IS A POSSIBLE BAN AND A FINE OF UP TO £2,000.

DID YOU KNOW THAT BUYING PART WORN TYRES COULD INVALIDATE YOUR INSURANCE (THROUGH AGE AND INCORRECT FITMENTS) WHICH COULD MEAN A VERY EXPENSIVE ACCIDENT.

SO GET YOUR VEHICLE CHECKED NOW! YOU KNOW IT MAKES SENSE!



JUST CALL IN OR TELEPHONE US.

IT'S FREE IF YOU ARE LEGAL

SO BE SAFE, BE SURE AND STAY THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE LAW.



BARRY TYRE CENTRE

Where good quality costs you less.

Come on...keep it local - we won't be beaten!



**HOLTON ROAD,
BARRY CF63 4HU
01446 745888**

**LOWER GUTHRIE
STREET, BARRY CF63 4PS
01446 737447**



www.barrytyreautocentre.co.uk

**OPEN: Monday - Friday
8.30am - 5.30pm
Saturday 8.30am - 3.30pm**

All major credit cards accepted

Darts league

THE 2013 - 2014 season of the Cowbridge Darts League is now underway.

This year the 10 teams competing are hosted by eight pubs. The traditional venues - Edmondnes Arms, Cowbridge; Farmers Arms and Hare and Hounds, Aberthaw; Llanharri Working Men's Club, Llanharri; Cross Inn, Llanblethian and Old Post Inn, Bonvilston - are joined by the Highwayman Inn, Nurston and by The Star Inn, Treos.

The second round of league matches will be played on Tuesday, September 24, with the

new team, The Star Inn hosting the defending champions, Edmondnes B.

Last year's runners-up Llanharri host the The Old Post Ladies and the Edmondnes A host the Hare and Hounds.

The Farmers Arms travel to the Highwayman Inn and new team Edmondnes C host the Cross Inn.

All matches start at 8.30pm and spectators are welcome. For further information e-mail Paul at cowbridgedarts@gmail.com, up-to-date information can be found on the website: www.darts.apsn.co.uk

PJT

RHOOSE LIFEGUARDS MASTERS TEAM GAIN SECOND PLACE AT WELSH CHAMPIONSHIPS



ABOVE: Bernie Phipps with gold medal winners Sue Blake and Sarah Bryant.



ABOVE: Members of the ladies' ski team.

WITH a team of 26, the Masters team from Rhose Lifeguards Club travelled to St. David's for the Surf Life Saving Welsh Championships on September 7.

A packed day was ahead with a competition schedule which included surf ski and board races, sea swims, ocean man & lady, beach sprints, long runs and beach flags as well as relays in many of the above.

Conditions were fairer for the team than at some of the more recent events, but by the afternoon the sea had picked up and once again become challenging for the competitors.

The day began with the ski race events but shortly after commencing events had to be put on hold as unfortunately a yacht owner had got into trouble and the rescue boats marshalling the sea events were called into action.

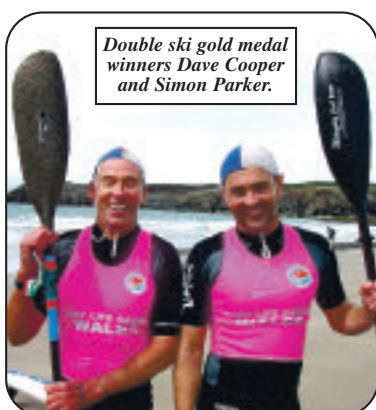
By mid-morning the competition continued with the individual and relay beach events with many medals and respectable positions gained.

Special congratulations to individual gold medal Welsh champions – Jon Foster, Heddus Davies, Melissa Downton and Janine Cordy, for their performances on the beach.

The afternoon events included surf ski and board races and swim events before moving onto the board, ski and taplin relays.

Again there were some strong performances by members of the team with individual gold medals being awarded to Welsh champions – Heddus Davies, Sian Frith and Karen O'Donoghue-Harris in the sea events.

There were also gold medals awarded in the doubles and relay sea events to Sarah Bryant & Sue Blake, 78+ double ski; Heddus Davies, Karen O'Donoghue-Harris & Sarah Bryant, 87+ board relay; Janine Cordy, Melissa Downton & Sue Blake, 117+ board relay; Sarah Bryant, Karen O'Donoghue-



Double ski gold medal winners Dave Cooper and Simon Parker.

Harris & Sian Frith, 117+ taplin relay; Simon Parker & Dave Cooper, 98+ double ski. A full list of individual medal winners is below.

Well done to all of the team members who are first time competitors at a Masters event and to those who have returned to competition after a break.

Well done also to those who competed in the Ocean man and Ocean lady event – an 'Ironman/woman'-type race comprising of surf ski, board and swim.

Congratulations also to Rhose club captain, Simon Parker, who entered and gained points in every beach and sea event and came away with a few medals too. Well done Simon!

Lastly thanks to all of the club members who undertook marshalling and other duties, especially some of the junior team who helped with carrying craft to and from events.

A big thank you also to Russell Phillips who organised the 'after competition' meal for all 38 of the club and family members who stayed at St. David's.

Rhose Lifeguards have won the Welsh Championships for previous four years, but due to a very strong Pen-y-Bont team, finished this year's competition in second place out of the 10 teams taking part.

At the same time as the Masters championships taking place, Kathryn Gardner, Sam Blake, Rhys Perry and Lauren Blake have been busy competing at the

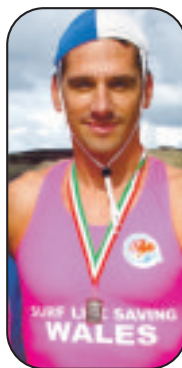
Royal Lifesaving Society Commonwealth Championships in Australia as part of the Welsh Commonwealth team.

A list of the individual medals winners are: Heddus Davies – gold 1km run, gold board race, silver beach sprint, Jon Foster – gold beach sprint, gold beach flags, silver 1km run, Melissa Downton – gold 1km run, silver beach sprint, bronze beach flags, Amanda Lane – bronze beach sprint, silver beach flags, Darron Corden – bronze ocean man, Sian Frith – gold surf swim, Karen O'Donoghue-Harris – gold board race, gold ski race, gold ocean lady, Sarah Bryant – bronze board race, bronze 1km run, Janine Cordy – gold beach flags, bronze board race, Julie Phillips – bronze beach sprint, bronze 1km run, Dave Cooper – silver board race, silver ski race, Dennis Bloomer – silver beach sprint, silver beach flags. Many more medals were won the pairs and relay events.

The Masters team: Heddus Davies, Melissa Downton, Sue Blake, Sarah Bryant, Amanda Lane, Bernadette Phipps, Michele Wall, Karen O'Donoghue-Harris, Sian Frith, Julie Phillips, Janine, Cordy, Jon Foster, Jon Martlew, Dafydd Beasley, Richard Davidson, Darron Corden, Dominic Lee, Steve Baker, Simon Parker, Alan Wade, Paul Gardner, Andy Wall, Jason Redrup, Dennis Bloomer, Nigel Martlew, Dave Cooper.



Darron Corden and Richard Davidson.



Gold medalist Jon Foster.



ABOVE: Karen O'Donoghue-Harris and Michele Wall

Tennis club to join coffee morning day



PICTURED: Back row: Tisch Beere, Non Henderson, Megan Wilson, Liz Holt and Anke Yee. Front row: Jenn Stamp, Barbara Dawes, Sandra Withey, Maureen Gray and Sandra Hood.

TENNIS club members in Dinas Powys are picking up their coffee cups and joining this year's Macmillan Cancer Support's World's Biggest Coffee Morning to raise funds for local people affected by cancer.

They will be hosting their coffee morning at the Club House, Dinas Powys Tennis Club, The Common, on Friday, September 27 from 10am to noon.

Having supported Macmillan and the coffee mornings for 12 years, the team have already raised £3,452.06 to support local people affected by can-

cer. Macmillan's fundraising manager for the Vale, Rebecca Parke, said: "We are very grateful to everyone at the Dinas Powys Tennis Club for their continued support."

"Every pound raised by those taking part in events like World's Biggest Coffee Morning helps us be there for someone with cancer when they need us most, so ask your friends, family or workmates to come for coffee and raise some money to support Macmillan."

It's not too late to register your coffee morning. To find out more visit www.macmillan.org.uk/coffee or call 0845 602 1246.

Chess teams start season

NOW that September is here, Barry chess team's league season starts in earnest.

Over the next eight months our hopes are for the Bosons to beat last season's third place and for the newly promoted Camelots to hold onto their division one status.

In division two we know it will be difficult for the Quarks to avoid relegation and the Gambits will take their place in division four for the first time in seven years.

We already have three results, a win for the Bosons, a loss for the Camelots and a draw for the Gambits; the Quarks began their campaign on September 17.

In division one the Bosons earned a victory with two wins, two draws and one loss to score a 3-2 victory. The loss was expected when the opponent is Ioan Rees, who is ranked as number five in the Welsh rankings.

To pick up three of the other four points to be played for is a very creditable start, particularly when the Caerphilly Kings have traditionally been our opponents in fighting for third place in the division.

The Camelots started with a trip to Nelson to take on the Rhinos. This was a tough match to start the season as last year the Bosons struggled against the Rhinos.

On four of the five boards we were outdrawn, so to pick up three draws and only lose two

boards was a good result. After one round of games the three promoted teams hold the bottom three places with the Camelots recording the best result.

In division four the Gambits were the first team to travel to Bridgend Central's new venue. Again our opponents are very strong and are likely to be in the frame for promotion at the end of the season.

We were outdrawn on four of the five boards so to record a draw with two wins, two defeats and one draw was a very good result.

Player of the week is the Gambits' new captain, Martin Ricketts, who picked up a victory on board one against David Merryweather who is rated 230 points above Martin.

The Barry Chess Club meets at 7.30pm each Monday at the West End Club, St. Nicholas Road, Barry, CF62 6QY. The club is open to players of all standards; whether you are interested in playing competitive chess or just the occasional friendly games.

New players are very welcome to just turn up on the night but if you contact one of the club members through the website we can explain what is happening on the night you have in mind, and arrange for someone to greet you on your arrival.

For more details visit our website: barrychessclub.yolasite.com.



TOYOTA

ALWAYS A
BETTER WAY

UN63LIEVABLE BUT TRUE



Get a brand new YARIS Trend
with Free Satellite Navigation worth £650^^

**1 year's FREE
INSURANCE***

0% APR
Representative*

For only
£149 Per Month*

Reserve your 63 Plate today

FRF Toyota Bridgend
Tondur Road, Bridgend,
Mid Glamorgan CF31 4LH
Tel: 01656 646646 www.frfbbridgend.toyota.co.uk

**5 year
TOYOTA
WARRANTY**

Model shown is Yaris Trend 1.33 VVT-i 5 door manual (E) 4.7% CO₂ emissions. Prices correct at time of publication and include VKE, delivery charge, number plates, 1 year's road tax license and first registration fee. *0% APR Representative is only available on new retail orders of Yaris Trend where ordered between 1 July and 30 September 2013 and registered and financed through Toyota Financial Services, Great Burch, Barch Heath, Gwent, Surrey/RT16 9J2 before 31 December 2013 on a 3 year Access Toyota (PCP) plan with 0-37% deposit. **Payment shown is based on a 3 year Access Toyota (PCP) plan with £5,000 deposit and Guaranteed Future Value/Optional Final Payment. Interest rates may be required. Finance subject to status to over 18s. Other finance offers are available but cannot be used in conjunction with this offer. Excess miles over 50,000 charged at 9p per mile. Toyota Leasing are independent of Toyota Financial Services. Terms and conditions apply. Affordable finance through Access Toyota. 3 year/100,000 mile manufacturer warranty subject to terms and conditions. 11 year's free comprehensive insurance up to £100,000 coverable by Toyota Financial Services as a Personal Contract Purchase (PCP) only and is available on all new Yaris models where ordered and financed between 1 July and 30 September 2013. Vehicles must be registered by 31 December 2013. All drivers must be aged 21 years and over. Offer is limited to the insured plus up to four additional drivers. The insured and all drivers must have held a full UK driving licence for a minimum of 2 years and had no more than 3 faulty claims in the last 5 years. Offer only available to customers with no more than 1 minor motoring conviction in the last 3 years. Standard Toyota Motor Insurance Terms & Conditions apply (available on request) - these will be confirmed in the policy document. **Offer available on selected offers only. Terms and conditions apply.

Yaris Trend 1.33 VVT-i 5 door manual Official Fuel Consumption Figures in mpg (l/100km): Urban 41.5 (6.8), Extra Urban 60.1 (4.7), Combined 51.4 (5.5). CO₂ Emissions 127 g/km. The mpg figures quoted are sourced from official EU-regulated test results. These are provided for comparability purposes and may not reflect your actual driving experience.

LOW COST MOTORING

at FRF Toyota - We give you MORE for LESS!

2013 PLATE TOYOTA AYGO 1.0 FIRE 3DR

OR FOR ONLY
£149
DEPOSIT

& FROM
£149
PER MONTH

OR FOR ONLY
£7895
SAVE **£2310**
AGAINST MRRP



£0
ROAD TAX

2 YEARS
FREE
SERVICING

CHOICE OF
METALLIC
COLOURS

SPECIFICATION
• UP TO 5 YEARS WARRANTY
• UP TO 65 MPG
• GROUP 1 INSURANCE
• FREE DRIVEAWAY INSURANCE

2013 PLATE TOYOTA YARIS TR 1.33 5DR WITH TOUCH+GO

OR FOR ONLY
£1650
DEPOSIT

& FROM
£199
PER MONTH

OR FOR ONLY
£10995
SAVE **£3720**
AGAINST MRRP



SATELLITE
NAVIGATION

CHOICE OF
METALLIC
COLOURS

SPECIFICATION
• UP TO 5 YEARS WARRANTY
• FULL TOUCH SCREEN
• LOW INSURANCE

Massive Choice & Massive Savings

Cost New: £2999
Now only
£11995
SAVE **£6000**
AGAINST MRRP



12 12 Toyota Auris SR 1.6 5dr
Black - 50000 Miles

Cost New: £2660
Now only
£13495
SAVE **£8355**
AGAINST MRRP



12 12 Toyota Auris TR 1.8 Tourer CVT
Grey - 13000 Miles

Cost New: £12490
Now only
£8995
SAVE **£4495**
AGAINST MRRP



12 12 Toyota IQ 3 1.33 3dr
Black - 14000 Miles

Just a small selection of our stock

11 01	TOYOTA AURIS SR 1.6 5DR BLUE 30000 MILES	£9,995
10 10	TOYOTA AURIS TR 1.6 5DR SILVER 21000 MILES	£8,995
09 09	TOYOTA AURIS TR 1.6 5DR BLUE 18000 MILES	£7,495
10 10	TOYOTA AURIS TR 1.6 5DR BLUE 20050 MILES	£10,995
12 12	TOYOTA AURIS TR 1.8 5DR TOURER GREY 14000 MILES	£14,495
12 12	TOYOTA AURIS TR 2.0 5DR 4DR BLUE 14000 MILES	£14,395
10 10	TOYOTA AURIS TR 1.6 5DR TOURER GREY 30000 MILES	£9,995
10 10	TOYOTA AURIS TR 1.6 5DR TOURER BLUE 29000 MILES	£10,495
11 11	TOYOTA AURIS TR 2.0 5DR 4DR GREY 29000 MILES	£13,995
10 10	TOYOTA AYGO BLUE 1.0 3DR BLUE 28000 MILES	£7,295
11 11	TOYOTA AYGO BLUE 1.0 3DR BLUE 12400 MILES	£6,495
11 11	TOYOTA AYGO GO 1.0 3DR GREY 13900 MILES	£6,495
11 11	TOYOTA AYGO GO 1.0 3DR GREY 29000 MILES	£6,795
11 11	TOYOTA AYGO GO 1.0 3DR GREY 21500 MILES	£6,895
10 10	TOYOTA YARIS TR 1.4 5DR 3DR GREY 40000 MILES	£6,495
15 12	TOYOTA YARIS TR 1.4 5DR 3DR GREY 50 MILES	£21,495
11 11	TOYOTA YARIS SR 1.3 3DR 4DR 16000 MILES	£9,995
10 10	TOYOTA YARIS TR 1.3 3DR GREY 23000 MILES	£5,995
10 10	TOYOTA YARIS TR 1.3 3DR RED 10000 MILES	£7,995
10 10	TOYOTA YARIS TR 1.3 3DR RED 23000 MILES	£7,995
10 10	TOYOTA YARIS TR 1.4 5DR 3DR GREY 40000 MILES	£7,995
12 12	TOYOTA YARIS TR 1.4 5DR 3DR GREY 28000 MILES	£11,995
12 12	TOYOTA YARIS TR 1.3 3DR BLACK 7000 MILES	£6,295
11 11	TOYOTA YARIS T-SPRINT 1.3 3DR GREY 28000 MILES	£6,995
11 11	TOYOTA YARIS T-SPRINT 1.3 3DR GREY 12000 MILES	£6,495
08 08	BMW 1 SERIES 118I 5DR AUTO WHITE 58000 MILES	£7,995
12 12	VOLKSWAGEN CORSA 5DR CONVOY BLACK 12500 MILES	£7,995
12 12	VOLKSWAGEN POLO MATCHBOX 5DR BLACK 8000 MILES	£9,995

South Wales' largest selection of nearly new Toyota's

• OVER 50% OF OUR STOCK ARE NON TOYOTA FRANCHISE

WITH EVERY USED CAR WE GIVE YOU...

- FREE FUEL ON SELECTED VEHICLES
- FREE MINIMUM 12 MONTHS' WARRANTY*
- FREE MOT FOR LIFE*

- FREE 12 MONTHS' AA ROADSIDE ASSISTANCE*
- FREE 6 MONTHS' SERVICE*
- OVER 150 CARS IN STOCK

FRF Toyota Used Cars

Tondu Road, Bridgend,
Mid Glamorgan CF31 4LH
01656 646646



MORE FRF TOYOTA USED
CAR OFFERS ONLINE

11.9% APR*
REPRESENTATIVE

www.frftoyota.co.uk

*Representative APR example calculation: Toyota Aygo 1.0 Fire 3DR, £149 deposit, £149 per month, 2 years, 0% road tax, £0 insurance, £0 MOT, £0 service, £0 AA, £0 fuel. Total cost: £7,895. Example calculation: Toyota Yaris TR 1.33 5DR, £1,650 deposit, £199 per month, 2 years, 0% road tax, £0 insurance, £0 MOT, £0 service, £0 AA, £0 fuel. Total cost: £10,995. *Representative APR example calculation: Toyota Aygo 1.0 Fire 3DR, £149 deposit, £149 per month, 2 years, 0% road tax, £0 insurance, £0 MOT, £0 service, £0 AA, £0 fuel. Total cost: £7,895. Example calculation: Toyota Yaris TR 1.33 5DR, £1,650 deposit, £199 per month, 2 years, 0% road tax, £0 insurance, £0 MOT, £0 service, £0 AA, £0 fuel. Total cost: £10,995. *Representative APR example calculation: Toyota Aygo 1.0 Fire 3DR, £149 deposit, £149 per month, 2 years, 0% road tax, £0 insurance, £0 MOT, £0 service, £0 AA, £0 fuel. Total cost: £7,895. Example calculation: Toyota Yaris TR 1.33 5DR, £1,650 deposit, £199 per month, 2 years, 0% road tax, £0 insurance, £0 MOT, £0 service, £0 AA, £0 fuel. Total cost: £10,995.

THE 'LEG ENDS' WIN MEMORIAL TROPHY



CADOXTON Imps AFC held the Edwin 'Eddie' Mallett seniors five-a-side football tournament at the Gol Centre, Leckwith recently.

The tournament is an annual event in memory of former treasurer Eddie Mallett who was with the Imps for more than 30 years and who sadly passed away in 2007 after a valiant struggle against prostate cancer.

The fun tournament consisted of seven teams, one from the Imps' current senior team in the Vale of Glamorgan Association Football League (Bish's Boys, led by Gareth Evans) together with invited teams of past players/managers, including a team managed by Jeff Howells made up from fathers from Ty Hafan.

Each team played each other once in a group stage with the top four going into the semi-finals and then the final.

Surprise of the tournament was that the team of current committee members (The Croc(k)s) led by chairman Martin Pursall, vice chairman Ian James and Alex Spierling (in place of his father, secretary Gary Spierling, who took on refereeing duties) actually won a game, but that was largely as a result of the bolstering of the team

with some young skillful 'ringers', bringing the average age down a few decades.

The top four teams fighting out the semi-finals were the 'Leg Ends' managed by Leigh Cogbill (who had previously won the inaugural tournament back in 2008) against Gavin Lewis' 'Goose's Greats' in the first semi-final.

A Pro Copy Athletic team led by Luke Llewellyn-Davis took on Ashley Cottle's team in the other semi-final.

The final between the Leg Ends and Pro Copy was of a very high standard and both teams were evenly matched. Leg Ends seemed to have pulled away with a 3-1 lead with player of the tournament, Simon Robbins, making the difference.

Pro Copy came back with a late goal to make it a tense final few minutes, but despite referee Gareth Spierling's added-on 'Fergie' time, Leg Ends held on to win 3-2.

The committee would like to thank Ian James for arranging the location and Gary Spierling for his unbiased refereeing, organising the trophies and drawing up the match rota, not knowing how many teams would be turning up until five minutes before the start!

MP

Pictured above with the trophy, are the players from the winning Leg Ends, with runners-up Pro Copy, and Imps' chairman, Martin Pursall.

WENVOE CASTLE GOLF NEWS

Master class for juniors

THE Welsh Mini Masters is a national golf competition held each year in association with Shelter Cymru for junior players who are in the very early stages of learning the game.

The competition involved 11 regional qualifying rounds throughout Wales and the qualifiers took part in two regional finals at Glyn Abbey Golf Club in the south and Dolgellau Golf Club in the north.

For the first time, Wenvoe Castle Golf Club had two entries and Kate Smith and Josh Harvey both made it to the regional final at Glyn Abbey Golf Club after qualifying at Heath Park.

With nearly 40 players competing at each stage Josh finished a very commendable sixth place in the boys section and Kate went one better by finishing in second place to gain entry to the all Wales final, to be held at Celtic Manor on October 29.

Club captain Barrie Jones was delighted with their progress and to have two entries in to the Welsh Mini Masters was great advert for the Wenvoe Castle junior coaching academy and the excellent work and dedication by the club professional, Jason Harris.

For the two talented juniors to progress so well with Kate reaching the final gave great encouragement to others taking up the game.

Nick completes a championship double

NICK CAULFIELD of Wenvoe Castle completed a magnificent double for the club in winning the Glamorgan County Seniors

Championship, recently held at The Glamorganshire Golf Club.

Fellow club member Keith Stimpson had won the Glamorgan County Championship in July but this time Nick held on to win, with Keith taking the runner-up spot.

On a day that was overcast and then produced some rain, Nick overcame a strong field of 70 top golfers finishing strongly over the closing holes to win the championship for the first time with an excellent score of 76.

Nick's score was two strokes better than fellow Wenvoe Castle member and Welsh seniors' international Keith Stimpson.

Keith, along with David Frazer (Pennard Golf Club) and Steve Watkins (Neath Golf Club) seemed poised to seriously challenge Nick's 76, but all faded away slightly over the last few holes to leave Jon Owen (Pontypridd Golf Club) in third place.

Club captain Barrie Jones congratulated Nick on his excellent win and the Wenvoe Castle Golf Club is honoured to have two club members secure the top two County Championships in the same year.

BJ

Sully bridge club results

Monday, September 8

North/South: 1st - Sheila Kavanagh/Joan Thompson 63.83; 2nd - Peter Millar/Jane Brooks 60.61; 3rd - Pat Evans/Jane Greatrex 53.79.

East/West: 1st - Pam Sherman/Pat Verdon 68.56; 2nd - Anne Macdougall/Judy Collins 61.74; 3rd - Doug Claxton/Una Gavin 58.53.

Wednesday, September 11

North/South 1st Hilary Laurence/Moira Currie 65.65; 2nd Bunty Wiseman/Anne Johns 61.11; 3rd Celia/Huw Thomas 56.12.

East/West: 1st Una Gavin/Judy Collins 61.85; 2nd Judith Owen/Helen Jordan 56.12; 3rd John Pikoulis/Jane Greatrex 56.06.

MOTORING WITH TIM SAUNDERS

New Civic delivers on its promises...

THERE are two diesel engines available on the new Honda Civic: the 2.2 and the 1.6.

I can't speak for the former, but the latter is so economical that I cover 300 miles on barely a quarter of a tank.

Honda claims that its 1.6-litre iDTEC will return 78mpg; I experienced around 60mpg encompassing all manner of driving, from stopping and starting in the slowest of traffic jams through to fast and demanding motorway cruising.

This latest example (the ninth generation) of the Civic, builds on the futuristic theme and enhances the parts that the original hinted at but didn't carry off as well, such as its rear, which features bulbous lights, while the triangular exhausts have disappeared, as you can see in the video at testdrives.biz.

I thought I would miss these, but the whole package is more aesthetically pleasing. The concealed handles for the rear doors make this five-door seem like a three, especially to my wife when she first tried to get our children in the back.

It's a nice touch and one that seems to have been copied by other manufacturers.

The rear windshield is still an annoyance for me because of the position of the spoiler, which effectively cuts the screen in two and hinders vision when inside. But it's a great driver's car with body hugger 'magic' seats.

My family and I demand much from our striking red protégé and while it is not large enough for our tandem pushchair, it copes with a suitcase, my daughter's Trunki, a single pushchair, a crib, a bouncer and a box of food as well as my daughters in their two



The Honda Civic diesel.

car seats.

Despite being weighed down, the driving experience is good. The economy figures I mentioned earlier are reached with a combination of automatic engine stop/start and the use of a green economy button to the right of the steering wheel.

While engaged, progress is noticeably a little lethargic on occasions and disengaging this does speed up the process.

But once the Civic is on its way, progress is satisfying and with the correct gears there's an element of gusto. The gearbox is a little notchy but it can be forgiven this for its decisiveness.

The Civic is a tricky car to reverse and on occasions it can be difficult to gauge whether there are any obstructions behind, and so it is helpful that some mod-

els are fitted with reversing sensors; unfortunately this model does not have them.

Equipped with all the usual refinement, the air conditioning is an absolute blessing during the height of our British summer, where temperatures exceed 25 degrees Celsius, so the system keeps us all extremely happy.

I find cruise control a little complicated to operate, tending to engage the speed limiter function instead, but this isn't a bad thing, especially when driving through unfamiliar territory in Surrey, where motorists are warned of speed cameras in 30mph zones.

I always find it difficult to stick to 30mph, especially when driving an unfamiliar car.

The limiter allows the motorist to set the speed and then no matter how much the accel-

erator is pushed, it will not exceed the setting. It does, however, exceed this speed when travelling downhill, but by no more than 3mph, and then it rectifies it fairly quickly.

The diesel Civic is so environmentally friendly that it only emits 95 grams of carbon dioxide per kilometre, which results in no road tax.

Honda should do well with this particular version of the Civic if for no other reason than its sheer efficiency, which cash strapped motorists are sure to embrace as they watch continually yo-yoing fuel prices.

New price range: £16,995 - £28,280.

Facts at a glance: 0-60mph: 10.2secs. Top speed: 129mph. Power: 118bhp.

Economy: 60mpg. Watch the video at testdrives.biz.

Barry Bees go into double-header action

BARRY BEES RFC played a double header against Llantwit Major and Kenfig Hill - and once again, the boys showed great commitment and fitness.

The Bees dominated the first match against Llantwit Major and were in control throughout. Cole Saunders opened the scoring with the first of his four tries, and this was followed by an excellent solo effort from Cian Anderson. Rhys Lloyd concluded the scoring in the first half.

Spencer Williams danced his way through the visitors' defence to maintain the Bees momentum in the second half. Llantwit continued to battle and despite conceding another four tries (Cole with three and Cian with one), managed to score two well deserved tries to make the final score 45-10 to the Bees.

The second match against Kenfig Hill was a classic; both sides were determined to play quality rugby despite the deteriorating conditions. Kenfig took the game to Barry in the opening five minutes, but the Bees defence was resolute and kept the visitors at bay.

When the Bees managed to get possession they were always threatening, and Cian outpaced the Kenfig defence to score in the corner for the opening try. Cole extended the lead, before Robson Mallom scored the best try of

the match after a flowing move involving all the backs, to give the Bees a 15-0 lead at half time.

Kenfig Hill started the second half with renewed purpose and energy, and quickly scored a couple of tries to bring them back into contention. Cole then scored an excellent solo try after a perfectly timed interception.

However, the Bees were tiring and Kenfig continued to gain the upper hand; with the Barry defence losing shape the visitors took the lead to go 30-20 up after running in four quick tries.

The Bees were on the ropes but dug deep and showed excellent character. Isaac McBride led the charge and began to hit the rucks with real vigour; his efforts were rewarded when he smashed his way over the line to reduce the Kenfig lead to one score.

With time running out, Barry threw everything at Kenfig and were camped on the visitors' line. Their efforts were rewarded as Cian cut through to score the equalising try. It was a great game and a draw was a fair result for two very strong teams.

SQUAD: Isaac McBride, Jacob Pereira, Rhys Lloyd, Charlie Bale, Ethan Watkins, Dylan Morris, Joe Davies, Stephen Williams, Cian Anderson, Spencer Williams, Cole Saunders, Robson Mallom, Taylor Ross-Zeal, Joe Tanner, Joseph Nationstead. **JM**

revive!
Is your Car
In need of a little
Paintwork?

- Bumper Scuffs
- Scrapes
- Wheel Arches
- Alloy Wheels

Call Chris on: 07717 840962
or free phone 0800 046 3960
chris.clee@revive-uk.com

A.B Service Centre >

Car Diagnostics



from
£39.99
+ VAT

Tyres from
£19.99 + VAT

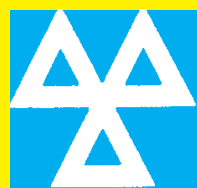


Vehicle Remapping From £149 + VAT

Eco Tune - Fuel Economy gains of **up to 17%**.
Performance Tune - performance gains of **up to 35%**.
50/50 - Increase fuel economy & power.



DPF Removal
from **£199.99 + VAT**



MOT
ONLY
£25

01446 735561

Mon-Fri
8.30am-5.30pm
Saturday
8.30am-1pm



INTERIM
SERVICE
£69.90
+ VAT

All major
credit cards
accepted



CARDIFF ROAD, BARRY, VALE OF GLAMORGAN CF63 2NW
www.abservicecentre.co.uk • Tel. 01446 735561



A.B. CAR SALES

**Better Cars at
Better Prices**

OVER 100 CARS IN STOCK



CARDIFF ROAD, BARRY



09 SAAB 9-3 1.9 TID Vector Sport (150) 5-Dr
Estate. Met Black, (Diesel), FSH, Climate & Control,
1/2 Black Leather, Parking Sensor & Much More, 73k.

£6,790



09 VAUXHALL Corsa 1.6T 16v VXR
3-Dr. Met Blue, 1/2 Black Leather,
Air Con, MFSW, Alloys, CD Player, 36k.

£7,490



59 BMW 1 Series 118D SE 3-Dr. Met Silver,
(Diesel), 1 Owner, FSH, Climate Control,
Parking Sensor, MFSW, Alloys, 77k

£7,990



10 SKODA Octavia 1.4 TSi SE 5-Dr.
Red, 1 Owner, FSH, Air Con, 6 Speed,
CD Player, Alloys, 56k.

£6,590



10 RENAULT Laguna 1.5 DCI Eco2 Dynamique
5-Dr. Met Grey, (Diesel), 1 Owner, FSH,
Parking Sensor, Climate Control, 85k.

£5,690



56 TOYOTA Yaris 1.4 D 4D T3 5-Dr
MMT. Silver, (Diesel), Auto, 1 Owner,
MFSW, Air Con, CD Player, 92k.

£3,990



58 VW Caddy Maxi Life 1.9 TDi PD 5-Dr.
Met Red, (Diesel), 1 Owner, FSH, 7 Seater,
Air Con, E/Windows, C/Locking, 104k.

£7,990



58 NISSAN Note 1.6 Acenta 5-Dr.
Met Black, Auto, FSH, Air Con, Alloys,
MFSW, CD Player, 41k.

£4,990



59 FORD Focus 1.8 TDCi Zetec 5-Dr.
Met Blue, (Diesel), FSH, Air Con,
Parking Sensors, Alloys, 49k

£6,990



54 BMW 7 Series 730D SE 4-Dr. Met Silver,
(Diesel), Auto, Full Black Leather, Sat Nav,
Cruise & Climate Control & Much More, 77k.

£6,990

TEL. 01446
735555

www.abcarsalesltd.co.uk

SAT NAV
CF63 2NW



Deutsche AutoTeknik For German Cars

DATSC only employ Factory Trained former Franchised Dealer technicians. Ex Sytner, Rydale Pendragon etc.

Can you say the same for the MOT station you currently use?

Our focus is simply on German Cars. Our staff undergo constant training to stay up to date and using our Autologic diagnostic system we're able to provide dealer quality diagnostics.

If you want the best for your car, chose a garage whose sole focus is German Car Excellence - Why would you entrust your car to anyone else?

Economy Service

Genuine Oil Filter & Mobil or Castrol Oil
Vehicle Safety Check & Inspection
Fluid Check & Top Ups
Complementary Wash
Manufacturer Trained Technicians

Only available to German vehicles over 5 years old
Synthetic & Low Ash Oil Surcharge May Apply
Maybe your car is between services and you want to keep your car in top condition? The Economy service can help!

ONLY £60

Synthetic & Low Ash Oil Surcharge may apply.

SERVICING TAILORED TO YOUR CAR - EXCEEDING MANUFACTURERS REQUIREMENTS - EXCEEDING YOUR EXPECTATIONS

"I WISH I'D KNOWN ABOUT YOU BEFORE"
"SUPERB VALUE FOR MONEY"
"MANY THANKS FOR YOUR PROMPT HELP"
"I'LL BE TELLING ALL MY FRIENDS ABOUT YOU"
"AT LAST, A GARAGE MINUS THE BULL"

Just a small selection of the comments received from our happy customers....

BMW - MINI
BMW GROUP

MERCEDES - SMART
DAIMLER AG

PORSCHE - AUDI - VW - SEAT - SKODA
VAG GROUP

JAGUAR
JLR GROUP

Manufacturer Specific Service

Genuine Parts & Highest Quality Oils
Exactly the same checks as performed by the Main Dealers
Complementary Air-Con Anti Bacterial Service
Free Luxury Courtesy Car or Vehicle Collection & Drop Off
Full Vehicle Valet including Hand Waxing
Diagnostic Code Scan & DTC log Printout
Work will not invalidate your New or Used Car Warranty

Prices specific to Vehicle, please call for a price tailored to your car
What we include in our base price would on average cost over £300 extra at the dealer using the same tools by staff that used to work at those same dealers.

FREE Brake & Safety Check - Just Call In
FREE Courtesy Cars including FREE Insurance
www.facebook.com/datsc

MOT Test - £25



Deutsche Auto Technik - For German Cars
5 Woodham Road, Barry Docks CF63 4JE
Service & Repairs: 08000 337 092 / 01446 327 007

GARY WATSON MOTOR CO.



NEW STOCK ARRIVING DAILY!



11 VW Scirocco 2.0TDi GT
In white, 43,000 miles with sunroof, etc.
£16,995



09 TOYOTA Auris 1.6 TR
3-dr. In light met blue, 35,000 miles
£5,995



57 VAUXHALL Zafira 1.9 CDTi Design
Met grey, 43,000 miles, diesel 7 seater
£6,995



55 KIA Sportage 2.0 CRDi XE
5-dr, black, 76,000 miles, 1 lady owner
£5,995



59 CHEVROLET Matiz SE (new model)
Met orange, 18,000 miles with a/c
£3,995



57 VAUXHALL Tigra 1.4 Exclusive Convertible
In black, 66,000 miles
£4,495



60 SUZUKI Swift 1.3 SZ3
3-Dr, in burnt orange, 20,000 miles, low insurance
£6,495



61 SMART Four Two Passion 1.0 MHD
Met Grey, very low miles, with stop/start.
£6,995



03 MINI Cooper 'S'
In Chili Red with white roof, 84,000 miles, 1 owner with chilli pack, xenons etc.
£4,395

JUST A SELECTION OF OUR STOCK...

- 61 PORSCHE Cayenne 3.0 Diesel Auto. In white with full beige leather, 7,000 miles, too many extras to list. **£54,995**
- 11 VW Scirocco 2.0TDi GT in white, 43,000 miles with sunroof, etc. **£16,995**
- 61 SMART Four Two Passion 1.0 MHD. In met grey, very low miles with stop/start. **£6,995**
- 08 TOYOTA Auris 1.6 TR In met, 59,900 miles, very nice example at. **£5,995**
- 08 FORD Mondeo 2.0 TDCi Edge Auto. In met blue, 31,000 miles diesel at. **£6,995**
- 59 FORD Focus 1.8 Diesel Zetec Estate. In met blue, 70,000 miles, 1 owner. **£6,995**
- 57 VAUXHALL Zafira 1.9 CDTi Design. In met grey, 43,000 miles, diesel 7 seater. **£6,995**
- 60 SUZUKI Swift 1.3 SZ3 3-dr. In burnt orange, 20,000 miles, low insurance. **£6,495**
- 10 PEUGEOT 107 Millesim Edition in white, 12,000 miles, 1 owner with a/c, alloys. **Reduced to £5,695**
- 59 VW Polo 1.2 Hatch 5-Dr. In met. grey, 43,000 miles, 1 owner. **£5,995**
- 09 TOYOTA Auris 1.6 TR 3-dr. In light met blue, 35,000 miles. **Reduced by £500 to £5,995**
- 08 SEAT Leon 1.6 Styleance. In met gold, 57,000 miles, stylish family hatch. **£5,995**
- 06 FORD Galaxy 1.9 TDI Zetec Auto. In silver, 54,000 mile diesel 7 seater. **£5,995**
- 55 KIA Sportage 2.0 CRDi XE 5-dr. In black, 76,000 miles, 1 lady owner, diesel 4x4 at. **£5,995**
- 59 VAUXHALL Meriva 1.3 CDTi Club. In met grey, 34,000 miles, low insurance. **£5,795**
- 09 HYUNDAI i20 Comfort 1248cc 5-dr in met silver, 22,000 miles, 1 owner. **£5,795**
- 05 Volvo V70 2.4D5 SE Auto Estate Diesel. In metallic sand with beige leather, superb example at. **£5,695**
- 58 VW Polo 1.4 Diesel Hatch 3-Dr. In black, 63,000 miles, 1 owner. **£5,495**
- 58 VAUXHALL Astra 1.4 SXi Twin Port 5-dr. In silver, 37,000 miles. **£5,495**
- 08 RENAULT Laguna 2.0 Dynamique. In bronze, 49,000 miles, 1 local owner. **£4,995**
- 57 VAUXHALL Astra 1.6 Design Coupe. In met silver, 50,000 miles. Stylish hatch. **£4,995**
- 08 SUZUKI Jimmy 1.3 VVTS In met gold, low mileage 4x4 at. **£4,995**
- 08 VAUXHALL Corsa 1.2 SX 5-Dr. In black, 59,000 miles with air con. **£4,795**
- 08 VAUXHALL Corsa 1.3 Diesel Ecoflex 3-Dr. In Ocean Blue, low mileage, insurance and road tax. **£4,695**
- 55 FORD Focus 2.0 Ghia Automatic. In met grey, low mileage, local example at. **£4,695**
- 57 FORD Focus 1.6 Style 5-dr. In met blue, 67,000 miles with a/c. **£4,495**
- 57 VAUXHALL Tigra 1.4 Exclusive Convertible. In black, 66,000 miles. **Reduced to £4,495**
- 54 JAGUAR X-Type 2.0 Diesel SE Estate In met grey with grey leather, 83,000 miles. **£4,495**
- 03 MINI Cooper 'S' in chilli red with white roof, 84,000 miles, 1 owner with chilli pack, xenons, etc. **£4,395**
- 59 CHEVROLET Matiz SE (new model) in met orange, 18,000 miles with a/c. **£3,995**
- 57 MAZDA 3 TSZ 1.6 5-Dr. In met grey, 73,000 miles, superb value at. **£3,995**
- 07 FORD Fiesta 1.4 Zetec Climate. In met blue, 40,000 miles. **£3,995**

- 57 PEUGEOT 207 1.4 M Play 3-Dr. In silver, 61,000 miles, ideal family car at. **£3,495**
- 08 MAZDA 2 1.4 TS2 3-dr. In red, nice bright local car at. **£3,995**
- 07 VAUXHALL Corsa 1.2 Design 5-dr. In silver, 59,000 miles, a/c, etc. **£3,995**
- 57 NISSAN Micra 1.2 Acenta 3-dr in met blue, 28,000 miles. Low insurance. **Reduced to £3,995**
- 06 TOYOTA Corolla 1.6 Colour 5-dr. In light met blue, 70,000 miles, a/c, alloys. **Reduced to £3,995**
- 06 TOYOTA Aygo 1.0 Sport 3-dr. In glacier blue, 61,000 miles, £30 road tax. **Reduced to £3,695**
- 05 VAUXHALL Tigra 1.3 CDTi Diesel Sport Convertible. In light met blue, 72,000 miles. **£3,995**
- 03 MINI Cooper in silver with black roof, 65,000 miles. Very nice example at. **£3,995**
- 57 KIA Picanto 1.0 GS 5-Dr. In silver, 21,000 miles, low insurance. **£3,695**
- 54 VW Passat 1.9TDI (130) Trendline in silver, 66,000 miles, 2 owners, Diesel Saloon at. **£3,695**
- 03 HONDA CRV 2.0 SE Sport. In silver, 94,000 miles, half leather, sunroof, alloys, ideal 4x4 at. **£3,695**
- 07 MAZDA 6 TS 2.0. In silver, 61,000 miles, ideal family car at. **£3,495**
- 54 SEAT Altea 1.6 Styleance. In light met blue, 82,000 miles, roomy family hatch. **£3,495**
- 04 FORD C-Max 1.6 Diesel Automatic Zetec. In moonstone blue, 75,000 miles. **£3,495**
- 07 RENAULT Megane 1.6 Dynamique Automatic. In sand met. Low mileage example. **Reduced to £3,295**
- 55 VAUXHALL Signum Elite V6 Turbo Auto in black with black leather, 79,000 miles. **£3,295**
- 54 TOYOTA Corolla 1.6 T3 VVTi 3-dr in silver, 78,000 miles. Stylish hatch at. **£3,295**
- 05 VAUXHALL Zafira 1.6 Life. In met blue, 53,000 miles, 7 seater. **£2,995**
- 54 SMART ForFour 1.1 Pulse. Black/Silver, 60,000 miles, low insurance. **£2,995**
- 52 BMW 320 Diesel SE Touring. In met blue, fantastic value at. **£2,995**
- 04 FIAT Dob 1.9 Diesel Active. In met blue, 56,000 mile practical people carrier. **£2,995**
- 05 FORD Focus 1.8 Edge 3-dr. In ice silver, 72,000 miles with alloys, cd. **£2,795**
- 54 FORD Focus 1.6 Ghia Automatic in black with black leather, 71,000 miles. **£2,795**
- 54 PEUGEOT 307 XSI 2.0 HDi 3-dr. In black with half leather trim. Economical and quick. **Reduced to £2,495**
- 04 SUZUKI Ignis 1.5 Sport. In silver, 66,000 miles with Racaro seats, white alloys etc. **£2,495**
- 05 FORD Ka. In Red, 38,000 miles, low insurance. **£2,295**
- 54 PEUGEOT 206 1.1 Independence 3-dr. In red with beige suede interior, low mileage, low insurance. **£2,295**
- 04 RENAULT Megane Expression 16v 5-dr in black, 65,000 miles. Ideal family hatch. **£2,295**
- 05 VAUXHALL Corsa 1.2 Elegance 5-dr. In met burgundy, 56,000 miles, 2 owners. **Reduced to £1,995**
- 06 CHEVROLET Lacetti 1.8 Sport 5-dr. In silver with full leather trim, 75,000 miles. **Reduced to £1,995**
- 03 SKODA Fabia 1.4 16v Elegance 5-dr. In met blue with a/c, heated seats etc. **£1,995**
- MOBILITY SCOOTER Roma Granada. In met burgundy, cost new last year £2,300. On offer at. **£995**



10 PEUGEOT 107 Millesim Edition
In white, 12,000 miles, 1 owner with a/c, alloys
£5,695



03 MINI Cooper
Silver with black roof, 65,000 miles
£3,995



08 VAUXHALL Corsa 1.3 Diesel Ecoflex
Ocean blue, low mileage, insurance & road tax
£4,695



MOBILITY SCOOTER Roma Granada

Met Burgundy, cost new last year £2,300

ON OFFER AT £995



All cars supplied with new MoT and 3 months RAC warranty.
Just a small selection of our comprehensive range in stock. Visit our website for full details.



Broad Street, Barry (Next to Barry Train Station) 01446 722600

FINANCE PACKAGES TO SUIT ALL • 0% DEPOSIT FINANCE AVAILABLE • ALL CARS HPi CLEAR • PART EXCHANGE WELCOME • OPEN 7 DAYS CARS BOUGHT FOR CASH • ALL MAJOR CREDIT CARDS TAKEN



MULTI-PHOTOS AND FULL DESCRIPTION ON WEBSITE

www.garywatsonmotorcompany.co.uk





GEM sport

'Groundhog day' ends differently for Athletic

IT was almost 'Groundhog Day' to the Athletic's previous week's narrow win against Blackwood on their visit to Pontypool – but without the same ending.

The Athletic built a sizeable lead – then surrendered it – but on this occasion failed to come back again as they had to settle for a losing bonus point in a 31-24 defeat.

Pontypool, buoyed by a 41-21 win at Beddau and supported by a large crowd including famous Pooler legends Graham Price, Bobby Windsor

and Clive Rowlands, came out of the blocks with all guns blazing.

For 15 minutes their large pack pounded the Athletic line. However completely against the run of play, it was the Athletic who opened the scoring. A dropped pass inside the Athletic 22 was seized on by wing Dan Howells who hacked the ball up field.

He outpaced the defence in a soccer type dribble carried on by full back Lloyd Rogers, before Rogers dived over for his first Athletic try on his debut. Outside half Steven Lewis converted.

Two minutes later the crowd were further silenced as captain and flanker Sean Williams made a break from half way into the Pooler 22.

The ball was moved along the line. Centre Stuart Morris chipped ahead for wing Howells to gather and slip inside a scoring pass to hooker Dan Vella. Lewis again converted to stretch the lead to 14-0.

Pontypool outside half Nyle Martin reduced the deficit with a penalty, but lock Jonathon Stoker carried the ball into the home 22. A period of snipes at the try line culminated in scrum half Ross Parsons diving over in the corner for the third Athletic try.

Lewis atoned for an earlier penalty miss in front of the posts with a magnificent touchline conversion to stretch the lead to 21-3.

Just as the previous week, on the stroke of halftime the Athletic lost concentration and allowed Pontypool back into the game. Their centre Ashley Norton grubber kicked ahead and won the chase to touch down for a try, converted by Martin, to make the halftime score 21-10 to the Athletic.

Pontypool, now playing sharp. This was highlighted with a brilliant solo run from scrum half Jake Williams, who ran some 50 metres to score the game's second try after 27 minutes.

The conversion again went narrowly wide to take the score to 10-0 to Bridgend Athletic, and this remained the half-time score, with the new Bridgend Athletic squad beginning to get and to playing some good attacking rugby.

The coaches rang the changes at the start of second half with virtually the whole team being changed.

Aberdare continued with a running game, turning down a number of penalty opportunities, and their enterprise was rewarded some 16 minutes into the second half when a determined passage of play allowed them to score their first try. This was converted to bring the score to 10-7 to the Athletic.

This pattern of play continued with a very determined Aberdare side beginning to take control and again their persistence paid off with a second try near the end. This was again converted to take the final score to 14-10 to Aberdare.

Despite the loss, the Athletic coaches were pleased with the overall display and the opportunity to give many new players game time and to put some training moves into play. This will undoubtedly pay off during the coming season.

Two minutes later the crowd were further silenced as captain and flanker Sean Williams made a break from half way into the Pooler 22.

The ball was moved along the line. Centre Stuart Morris chipped ahead for wing Howells to gather and slip inside a scoring pass to hooker Dan Vella. Lewis again converted to stretch the lead to 14-0.

Pontypool outside half Nyle Martin reduced the deficit with a penalty, but lock Jonathon Stoker carried the ball into the home 22. A period of snipes at the try line culminated in scrum half Ross Parsons diving over in the corner for the third Athletic try.

Lewis atoned for an earlier penalty miss in front of the posts with a magnificent touchline conversion to stretch the lead to 21-3.

Just as the previous week, on the stroke of halftime the Athletic lost concentration and allowed Pontypool back into the game. Their centre Ashley Norton grubber kicked ahead and won the chase to touch down for a try, converted by Martin, to make the halftime score 21-10 to the Athletic.

Pontypool, now playing sharp. This was highlighted with a brilliant solo run from scrum half Jake Williams, who ran some 50 metres to score the game's second try after 27 minutes.

The conversion again went narrowly wide to take the score to 10-0 to Bridgend Athletic, and this remained the half-time score, with the new Bridgend Athletic squad beginning to get and to playing some good attacking rugby.

The coaches rang the changes at the start of second half with virtually the whole team being changed.

Aberdare continued with a running game, turning down a number of penalty opportunities, and their enterprise was rewarded some 16 minutes into the second half when a determined passage of play allowed them to score their first try. This was converted to bring the score to 10-7 to the Athletic.

This pattern of play continued with a very determined Aberdare side beginning to take control and again their persistence paid off with a second try near the end. This was again converted to take the final score to 14-10 to Aberdare.

Despite the loss, the Athletic coaches were pleased with the overall display and the opportunity to give many new players game time and to put some training moves into play. This will undoubtedly pay off during the coming season.

Two minutes later the crowd were further silenced as captain and flanker Sean Williams made a break from half way into the Pooler 22.

The ball was moved along the line. Centre Stuart Morris chipped ahead for wing Howells to gather and slip inside a scoring pass to hooker Dan Vella. Lewis again converted to stretch the lead to 14-0.

Pontypool outside half Nyle Martin reduced the deficit with a penalty, but lock Jonathon Stoker carried the ball into the home 22. A period of snipes at the try line culminated in scrum half Ross Parsons diving over in the corner for the third Athletic try.

Lewis atoned for an earlier penalty miss in front of the posts with a magnificent touchline conversion to stretch the lead to 21-3.

Just as the previous week, on the stroke of halftime the Athletic lost concentration and allowed Pontypool back into the game. Their centre Ashley Norton grubber kicked ahead and won the chase to touch down for a try, converted by Martin, to make the halftime score 21-10 to the Athletic.

Pontypool, now playing sharp. This was highlighted with a brilliant solo run from scrum half Jake Williams, who ran some 50 metres to score the game's second try after 27 minutes.

The conversion again went narrowly wide to take the score to 10-0 to Bridgend Athletic, and this remained the half-time score, with the new Bridgend Athletic squad beginning to get and to playing some good attacking rugby.

The coaches rang the changes at the start of second half with virtually the whole team being changed.

Aberdare continued with a running game, turning down a number of penalty opportunities, and their enterprise was rewarded some 16 minutes into the second half when a determined passage of play allowed them to score their first try. This was converted to bring the score to 10-7 to the Athletic.

This pattern of play continued with a very determined Aberdare side beginning to take control and again their persistence paid off with a second try near the end. This was again converted to take the final score to 14-10 to Aberdare.

Despite the loss, the Athletic coaches were pleased with the overall display and the opportunity to give many new players game time and to put some training moves into play. This will undoubtedly pay off during the coming season.

Two minutes later the crowd were further silenced as captain and flanker Sean Williams made a break from half way into the Pooler 22.

The ball was moved along the line. Centre Stuart Morris chipped ahead for wing Howells to gather and slip inside a scoring pass to hooker Dan Vella. Lewis again converted to stretch the lead to 14-0.

Pontypool outside half Nyle Martin reduced the deficit with a penalty, but lock Jonathon Stoker carried the ball into the home 22. A period of snipes at the try line culminated in scrum half Ross Parsons diving over in the corner for the third Athletic try.

Lewis atoned for an earlier penalty miss in front of the posts with a magnificent touchline conversion to stretch the lead to 21-3.

minutes commitment necessary to compete at Championship level.

One player definitely not in this bracket is captain Sean Williams, who again turned in a man of the match display. Wing Dan Howells and full back Lloyd Rogers also looked useful on the day.

Another aspect the Athletic have to look at is discipline. In the two games to date they have received three yellow cards and on each occasion have conceded at least one try when down to 14 men.

This Saturday, the Athletic entertain newly promoted Tondur in a much anticipated local derby. To cope with the large crowd anticipated the game will take place on the Brewery Field – kick off 2.30pm.

GLYNCOCH 2ND XV 17 BRIDGEND 2ND XV 29

Bridgend Athletic 2nd XV came away from Division 4 South East side Glyncoch with a 29-17 victory.

They crossed for five tries to the home side's three; try scorers were hooker Nathan Holman, lock Adam Bruton, outside half Tom Cole, centre Michael Hathaway and wing Andrew Tyler - Cole and William Williams converted one try apiece.

AB



Action from the entertaining game between Pencoed and Maesteg Celtic. PHOTO BY JULIE HANCOCK

Pencoed RFC come up short in enthralling game

THIS game at the Recreation Ground between Pencoed and Maesteg Celtic was a great advertisement for Division 3 South West rugby, both sides adopting the expansive approach culminating in 11 tries, the final score 39-35 to the Celtic.

Pencoed captain Marc Davies, returning to first XV action following surgery opened the scoring after 10 minutes with a 42 metre penalty goal. The visitors hit back within minutes, centre Healey straightening onto outside half Luke Richards' pass to split the home midfield for supporting centre Fisher to score at the posts, Richards converting.

Pencoed regained the lead after 18 minutes through their pack, prop forward Keiron Moore spinning off a driving maul to drive for the line, before player-coach Aaron Halse forced his way over.

Pencoed then picked up a yellow card for a technical offence, Richards levelling matters with the resultant penalty. It was now the Pencoed backs' turn to engineer the next try, and good handling saw outside half Davies pop up to put left wing Glen Hiscocks over in the corner with a well-weighted lobbed pass.

Celtic once again drew level, right wing Arthur sprinting clear from 30 metres. Pencoed full back Tom Cross then did well to take an exceptionally high ball before clearing.

Pencoed pressed prior to the interval, prop forward Andrew Shillam just held up, and the sides went into the break at 15-15, a fair reflection of the opening half.

Pencoed, for the second match in succession, conceded a try in the opening moments of the second half, Celtic turning over possession, and their threequarters using the ball to put Fisher over for his second try.

CONTINUED ON PAGE 31

Close defeat for Athletic youth

AFTER a long lay-off over the summer, Bridgend Athletic youth travelled to Aberdare for the first game of the 2013/14 season.

Pre-season training had gone well and numbers are now excellent with the Athletic youth.

The game started at a high tempo with Aberdare youth pressing hard and running the ball at the Athletic at every opportunity, and it was only excellent Athletic that kept the home side out.

The home side's line-outs and rucks and mauls were also working well and this increased the pressure on the Athletic. Slowly, however, the Athletic began to get organised with the scrum working extremely well with forwards Cian House, Iestyn Merriman, Matthew Bennett and Curtis Daniel looking outstanding.

As it turned out, it was from the set piece that they launched their first major attacking play into the Aberdare half, with the ball travelling through the backs' hands. Aberdare gathered in defence and a ruck formed on their 22.

They were, however, unable to prevent the game's first try with centre Tom Jenkins going over out wide. Athletic full back Liam Phillips struck the upright with the conversion to make the score 5-0 after 10 minutes.

Aberdare youth continued to pressurise the Athletic, particularly at the lineout, but again the Athletic's backs broke away, with Josh Seldon, Tom Jenkins and Jake

Williams looking very sharp. This was highlighted with a brilliant solo run from scrum half Jake Williams, who ran some 50 metres to score the game's second try after 27 minutes.

The conversion again went narrowly wide to take the score to 10-0 to Bridgend Athletic, and this remained the half-time score, with the new Bridgend Athletic squad beginning to get and to playing some good attacking rugby.

The coaches rang the changes at the start of second half with virtually the whole team being changed.

Aberdare continued with a running game, turning down a number of penalty opportunities, and their enterprise was rewarded some 16 minutes into the second half when a determined passage of play allowed them to score their first try. This was converted to bring the score to 10-7 to the Athletic.

This pattern of play continued with a very determined Aberdare side beginning to take control and again their persistence paid off with a second try near the end. This was again converted to take the final score to 14-10 to Aberdare.

Despite the loss, the Athletic coaches were pleased with the overall display and the opportunity to give many new players game time and to put some training moves into play. This will undoubtedly pay off during the coming season.

Two minutes later the crowd were further silenced as captain and flanker Sean Williams made a break from half way into the Pooler 22.

Porthcawl bridge club

THE five main factors in winning at bridge are sound personal technique, a good basic system, ability to capitalise on opponent's mistakes, luck and 'knowing' your partner – what he/she will and won't do in competitive situations.

The absence of this latter factor didn't inhibit Sue Anthony and Roger Plant – who had never played together before – from not only winning the club's Thursday heat of the Welsh Bridge Union Simultaneous Pairs, but earning the rank of third nationally.

In this event, hands are compiled centrally, and are played throughout Wales on a particular night, and then scored centrally across all participating clubs. Most of the proceeds go to the Welsh Air Ambulance service.

Other recent club night results from the Porthcawl Bridge Club are: Saturday August 31: first – Roger Plant &

Betty Longley, second – Mildred Knight & Audrey Tinkler. Monday, September 2: first – Sandie & Peter Jenkins, second – Tony Haworth & Gary Williams.

Thursday, September 5: WBU Simultaneous Pairs – first – Sue Anthony & Roger Plant, second – Keith Davison & Tony Haworth.

Saturday, September 7: first – Winnie Phillips & Megan Taylor, second (equal) – Tony Haworth & Wendy Williams; Dil & Marian Evans. Monday, September 9: first – Sandie & Peter Jenkins, second – Tony Haworth & Gary Williams. Thursday, August 29: first – Trish Saunders & Pat Cogbill, second – John Cobby & Tony Haworth.

The club meets three times a week – Saturday and Thursday at the Awel-y-Mor centre, and Monday at the Glamorgan Holiday Hotel, 7pm-10.15pm, visitors welcome at any time.

To contact the club, call our secretary, Trish, on 01656785794.

Golfer shows who is boss

A BRIDGEND golfer has received a limited-edition BOSS watch after scoring a hole-in-one during a recent competition at Wenvoe Castle Golf Club.

William Winkley (65), scored his ace on the 205-yard, par-three 15th, and the 16-handicapper was rewarded with membership of the exclusive BOSS Watches H1 Club and a specially-commissioned, commemorative time-piece.

The luxury German brand has pledged to reward club golfers with an exclusive watch for every hole-in-one recorded during a club competition between April 15 and October 31 this year, and, with nearly 4,000 holes-in-one recorded annually, BOSS Watches could feasibly be giving away £1m-worth in 2013.

The scheme is open

to any golfer whose club uses HowDidiDo – a free-to-use, web-based social network for golfers – and anybody playing in official club competitions will be eligible; currently, more than 1,800 clubs use the website.

Players wanted

BRIDGEND TOWN juniors FC want to recruit more players at two age groups this season.

Both the under-16s and the under-14s are looking to strengthen their squads.

Bridgend Town is a locally based football club providing opportunities for children between the ages of 6 and 16 to play football. Home games and training take place at Newbridge Fields.

We aim to help our players to develop their

skills and fitness and focus on enjoying playing football.

The under-16s team has two coaches, Andrew Morgan and Leigh Shattock; anyone in school year 11 who is keen to play football regularly should contact Andrew on 07561 565647.

The under-14s team is coached by Deryck Evans and Jason Davies, and keen footballers in school year 9 should contact Deryck on 07807 537107.

All coaches are volunteers and fully accredited by the Welsh FA.

Bridgend bridge club

THE results for Bridgend Bridge Club for recent events are:

Wednesday, September 11: First Dave Barwood and Jane Brooks, second David Bowen and Rob Forman, third Marjorie Morris

and Bill Turner.

Friday, September 13: First John Raymond and Bill Turner, second Wendy Williams and Jane Brook, third John and Christine Evans.

The best placed improvers for Thursday 12 September were Stuart Davies, Francis Heslin and Dee Finch.

In addition to the regular club nights on Wednesdays and Fridays at Nolton Church Hall at 7pm, to which all bridge players are welcome, on Thursdays, from 2pm until 5pm, also at Nolton Church Hall, there are gentle bridge sessions primarily for the less experienced and where assistance is available.

On September 19, lessons for beginners will resume – to register an interest please contact either David Newman (01656 661968) or John Evans (01656 880372), who will welcome your call.

DN